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Frederic Eagles Drop a Pair

The Frederic High Eagles ran into trouble last week as they dropped a heart breaker 58 to 56 to Vanderbilt at the Frederic gym last Tuesday night and then were overwhelmed Friday night by the incoming Ellsworth Lancers 94 to 41. A batch of illness during the week amongst the Varsity players did not in the least help the Frederic cause, coach Ron Freeland said.

Tuesday night, the Eagles trailed 14 to 12 at the end of the first frame and by 31 to 28 at halftime. By the end of the third period, the Eagles had regained the lead 45 to 42. With 45 seconds on the clock, the score was knotted at 56 all but Vanderbilt sunk a shot to win.

Phil Lodge with 16 and Rick Post with 15 were high for the Eagles. Romeo Spreeman with 17 paced the Vanderbilt attack.

On Friday night, the Lancers just bombed the Eagles into submission 94 to 41. Jim Weaver with 21 and Phil Lodge with 16 were Frederic's top scorers. Chef Boss with 21 was high for the Lancers who placed all five starters in the double figures.

Tuesday night, the Frederic Junior Varsity was stopped by the Vanderbilt jayvees 42 to 28. Fred Hinkle with 16 was high for Frederic and Rolland Lonsberry with 13 high for the visitors.

The first game Friday night was a junior high school affair with Ellsworth winning 48 to 32. Rod Hinkle with 13 and Max Tobin with 12 were high for the Frederic juniors. Ray Alward with 12 was high for the Ellsworth junior high team.

The game will start at 5 p. m. If they win, the Eagles will meet the winners of the Petoskey St. Francis. Hannah St. Mary's game at 8 p. m. on Tuesday night. If they lose, they will meet the losers of the same game at 5 p. m. Tuesday in the consolation bracket.

The tournament is set up as a double knock out affair. If a team loses twice, they are out of action. The consolation trophy will be played at 7 p. m. Wednesday night with the championship tipoff slated at 8:30 p. m.

Night Blaze Damages Parked Automobile

The Grayling Fire Department was called out Thursday evening at 10:20 to extinguish a fire which consumed an automobile in the city parking lot. The vehicle was a 1956 Chevrolet belonging to Wesley Argue of 709 Plum St. It had been parked about 50 minutes previously, and left with the motor running. Cause of the fire is unknown. The blaze was reported from Chief Shoppengons Hotel. Fire Chief Frank May estimated the damage at \$175.00.

Important Grange Notice

Due to excessive smoke damage at the Grange Hall following an explosion in the furnace the Christmas party is cancelled and all other meetings will be postponed until the hall can be cleaned.

ALSO AIR FREIGHT

Flying Service To Begin January 2nd Out Of Gaylord Air Port

Air passenger service from the north to southern Michigan cities will be started by the Flying "H" Air Service, Inc., on Saturday, January 2nd out of the Otsego County Air Port at Gaylord.

The Chief Shoppengons Motor Hotel, which will act as the flying service's agent in Grayling, will offer taxi service from and to Grayling and the airport. It is hoped that in the not too distant future arrangements can be made for the service to operate from the Grayling McNamara Air Base in Grayling.

All flights will be confirmed at

R-S-V-P

The open invitation offered by the Friends of the Library was accepted last week by The Ninth Grade of Grayling High School when a "free will" donation was contributed to the Crawford County Library Building Fund.

With your organization R.S.V.P. in some way



Centered above are the five people winning prizes for being oldest at the Golden Age party given December 16th by the Grayling Woman's Club, flanked by the co-chairmen of the party. From left to right are Mrs. Carl E. Johnson, Ed Feldhauser, Algot Johnson, Mrs. John Knecht, Frank Serven, Charles Smith, and Mrs. Earl Burns. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Burns were in charge of the party, the others are all 84, except Mrs. Knecht, who is 87.

Thirty-seven elderly people attended the party, enjoying Christmas carol singing, cards and

Bingo. Refreshments of Jello, sandwiches, cookies, punch and coffee were served with favors on each plate. A Christmas tree held gifts for each one. Assisting were Mrs. Joe Searles and Mrs. Dale Hat, chairmen of the kitchen. Mrs. John Latuszek, chairman of registration and games, Mrs. Stanley Stealy and Mrs. Melvin Nielson, chairman of gifts and prizes, Mrs. Don Jansen in charge of favors, Mrs. Matilda Bishop, punch, and Mrs. Albert Knibbs, coffee. Mrs. Carl Doroh and Mrs. Arthur Carlson provided transportation. Myrton Burrows Photo

State Land Tax Situation Being Reviewed

A meeting of various people from the Crawford County Road Commission, Chamber of Commerce, Supervisors, and real estate offices was called Wednesday, December 16th by Leo Lovely, County Clerk, to investigate the amount of state and federal lands in the county with the purpose of re-evaluating these lands and requesting a larger return of tax monies from them. A committee consisting of William T. Miller, Tom DeWitt and Bernard Fowler, Supervisors, Engineer - Superintendent Bruce Carlson, Prosecuting Attorney Ward Ellison, Register of Deeds Lawrence Hunter, Chamber President Carol Wert and Mr. Lovely, was formed from those present to make the investigation. Another meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 22nd, to pool the information gathered. State Representative Nelson Tisdale and State Chamber officials have been invited to attend.

MORE YULE SPIRIT

For the last couple weeks the Grayling-Moose Lodge has had Christmas trees for sale. It seems that a lot of these trees have been disappearing, without being paid for. People have even been seen doing this. We hope that these same people enjoy their Christmas very much, because the money from these trees does not go into the lodge fund, but is used for children at Christmas. They are not depriving the lodge of anything, only the children. I've heard of taking candy from a child, but taking it at Christmas, I've never heard. This is real, fine Christmas spirit.

Chuck Stoddard, Governor
Grayling Moose Lodge 1162

Yoder Announces Transfer, Promotion

The transfer of William H. Tarr from Assistant Forester at Baldwin to Area Forester for the Ausable State Forest with headquarters at Grayling has been announced by Troy C. Yoder, Region II Manager, Department of Conservation. According to Yoder, the Area Forester appointments are in line with the Department's organizational plan. The plan which involves a smaller work area for each forester is designed to increase the overall efficiency of the State's land management program and provide better public service. Another advantage is the closer field supervision that will be achieved.

Tarr, 30, started with the Department of Conservation as a forester trainee in 1959. Since, he held posts on the Fife Lake and Pere Marquette State Forests. He is a graduate of Michigan State University. He, his wife Mary and a daughter, reside in Grayling.

The promotion of William Hoppe from Forester Trainee at West Branch to Assistant Area Forester for the Ausable State Forest at Grayling has also been announced by C. Troy Yoder, Region II Manager, Department of Conservation. Hoppe, 27, began working as a forester trainee in May of this year. He attended Chelsea High School, Jackson Junior College and is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He, his wife Shirley, and son will reside in Grayling.

COUNTY SEAL SALE GOES OVER TOP

Christmas Seal contributions from Crawford County have exceeded last year's total and are helping boost the annual fund-raising campaign to fight tuberculosis and respiratory diseases to a new statewide record.

The Michigan Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association reports that receipts from Crawford residents have reached \$764 compared with \$744 for the entire campaign last year.

Returns from throughout the state are substantially ahead of last year's pace but late contributions are needed to push the statewide total to the goal of \$1,150,000, the association reported.

Lauren Elliot, Flint businessman and campaign committee chairman, urged Crawford County residents who have not done so to mail their contributions as soon as possible.

What - Where - When

Jan. 5 - W.S.C.S. 8 p.m. at M. M. Church.
Jan. 6 - Circle 4 at Mrs. Ruth Pentons. 2 p. m.
Jan. 6 - Reg. meeting O. E. S. 8 p. m.
Jan. 7 - Reg. meeting Lodge 356 F. & A. M. 7:30 p. m.
Jan. 11 - Democrats meeting, Co. Courthouse, 8 p. m. Frank Sierawski speaker on Sec. State's work. Public invited.
Jan. 13 - Methodist Men's potluck dinner 6:30 p. m. Bring own service and dish to pass.
Dec. 31 - Lutheran Church Women Christmas social meeting at the parsonage. All women of the church invited.

NOTICE

Library Friends Get 2 Donations Totalling \$1,000

The Friends of the Library have received \$500 each from the Bear Archery Company and the Grayling State Bank towards the building fund goal of \$14,000.

One more week in 1964 remains to contribute and deduct at the same time. Contribute to the building fund and deduct from your income tax.

Have you noticed that scaffold is being erected at the construction site? Building will continue this winter as material and weather permit. Crawford County needs this library and the building fund needs your support. Won't you help?

Train - Elk Collision Termed "Unavoidable"

Lansing - Conservation officials have termed as "unavoidable" last week's pre-dawn accident involving a train of the New York Central Railroad Company which killed four elk and seriously injured four others near Vanderbilt.

The company's northbound train struck the animals, which were lying on the tracks with a bigger group of elk, when it rounded a blind curve one mile north of Vanderbilt Tuesday morning, Dec. 15.

The accident was unavoidable as far as we're concerned," reports local conservation officer Jack Bowman of Grayling. "Our field check indicated the train would have had to stop on a dime to prevent collision. Its engineers couldn't see around the curve and didn't know the elk were there until they were right on top of the animals."

Bowman points out that the company's engineers have for years taken special precautions to avoid hitting the animals along this stretch of their run.

For one thing, trains of New York Central are operated at reduced speed through this area. Also, their lights are often turned out at night to keep from attracting the animals or causing them to become spellbound by the glare.

MRS. SIGRID WRIGHT SUCCEDES DEC. 21

Mrs. Sigrid S. Wright passed away at Grayling Mercy Hospital on Monday, December 21, 1964. She had been in the hospital for only a few weeks.

The former Sigrid Jacobson, she was born in Sweden on December 23, 1889. She came to Grayling over thirty years ago and was well-loved by all who knew her, and admired for her skill in handicraft and cookery.

Survivors include her two brothers, Tore and Tyko Jacobson, both of Stockholm, Sweden, and two sisters, Ingegerd Jacobson, also of Stockholm, and Mrs. Adolph Orup of Snobomish, Washington, and one nephew, Dr. Hans Orup of Las Gatos, Calif.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 26th at 2 o'clock in the Sorenson Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles McMahon officiating. Burial will be in Battle Creek.

Friends may call at the Sorenson Funeral Home on Wednesday from 10 o'clock to 10 in the evening, on Thursday from 10 o'clock until 8 in the evening, and again

at a PRAYER at CHRISTMAS

SPECIAL HOLIDAY CHURCH SERVICES

Michelson Memorial Methodist church will have Christmas Eve candlelight services at 7:30, December 24th, with special music by the choir. On Sunday, December 27th, special recognition of college students will be given at the 11 a. m. worship. Joe Robertson and others will participate. A New Years Eve watch-night service will be held December 31st, from 9 p. m. to 12:30 a. m., with fellowship, recreation and holy communion.

The Frederic Baptist church will have its Sunday School program Wednesday, December 23rd at 7:30 p. m. The film "Forgotten Valley," will be shown.

St. Francis' Episcopal church will have Christmas Eve services at 9 p. m. and Christmas Day services at 10 a. m.

At St. John Lutheran Church there will be a Worship service on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at 6:15 p. m. and a Christmas morning service on Dec. 25 at 11:00 a. m. A cordial welcome to everyone.

St. Mary's Church will celebrate the Feast of the Nativity with a High Mass sung by the adult choir at midnight, December 24th preceded by a Christmas Carol at 11:50 p. m. On Christmas Day there will be an 8:30 a. m. Mass with school children and parish singing carols. The last Mass is at 10:30 a. m. with the high school girls and parish singing carols. Confessions will be heard Wednesday the 23rd from 7:30 to 8:30, Thursday from 10 to 11 a. m. and 4 to 6 p. m. On New Years Day, Jan. 1st, Masses will be at 6:30 and 10:30 a. m.

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church will present its children's program at 7 p. m. December 24, entitled "Light a Candle for the Saviour." On Christmas day there will be an 11 a. m. Christmas Festival worship with communion. There will be a New Years Eve watch night service from 7:30 p. m. to 8:30 p. m.

There will be a watch night service at Calvary Baptist church, December 31st, from 9 p. m. to midnight.

Two School Classes Hear Bank President

On Tuesday, December 15, Mr. Gierke's 5th and 6th hour Book-keeping classes were pleased to have John H. Alef, the president of the Grayling State Bank, come and talk to them about how the banking business is transacted.

He explained how the banks send and receive checks from other banks and what they do about dishonored checks.

Mr. Alef listed some courses one would have to take in college in order to go into the banking business. They are Economics and History, in other words a Liberal Arts curriculum.

Some of the services of the bank were discussed also. Some of these are safety deposit boxes, checking accounts and savings accounts.

More and more automation is being used to speed up the work. They do the sorting and listing of checks by numbers written in magnetic ink.

Mr. Alef said there are many positions yet to be filled in the banking business. They are just waiting for someone to fill them.

Area Township Officers Meet At Traverse City

A meeting of Township Officers for the counties of Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska and Leelanau was held Thursday, December 17th at the Traverse City Country Club, from 9 to 3 o'clock. The welcome to the general session was given by Grayling Township Supervisor, Bernard Fowler, President of the 2nd District Association. Mr. Fowler also was on the morning panel considering "Responsibilities of the Township Board," and the afternoon panel discussing "Responsibilities of Supervisors as Township Officers and Members of the County Board." Grayling Township Clerk Robert Hayes and Grayling Township Treasurer Eureka Stephan appeared on panels which considered problems relative to their positions. Also attending from Crawford County were Arno Flagen, Stanley Hummel, Pearl Babcock, Gene

Vikings Remain In Tie for League Lead

Football Teams Honored at Dinner

Over one hundred persons attended the annual banquet honoring the Varsity and Junior Varsity football teams on Wednesday, December 16th, at the High School gym foyer. Parents of the players, the high school faculty and spouses, members of the school-board and their spouses were all invited to the planned potluck dinner, which was served by members of the Future Homemakers of America.

Master of Ceremonies was Carl Minor, who also spoke on education and athletics. The football coaches, Fraser Dean, Franklin Smith and Don Ferguson, introduced the varsity and jayvee teams. Then the school letter awards were given out. Seniors who were given letters were Ed Robertson, Richard Smith and Dan Feldhauser, who also each received a star for their three-way captainship, Terry Smith, Ron Lovell, Mickey Stillwagon, Kerry Clough, Bill Tinker, Randy Thompson, and Dave Englund. Juniors awarded letters were Ken Halstead, Terry Wright, Peter Funck, Mike Hatfield, John Sorenson, and Curt Feldhauser. Sophomores Mike Kew, Dave Nethers and Steve Englund also won their letters.

A meal of fried chicken, salad, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, pie and beverage was served at tables decorated with tiny football players. Mrs. John Compton of the Homemaking Department was assisted in the decorations and serving by Regina Leas and Linda Tolleson, co-chairmen, Phyllis Knuth, Candy Henig, Candy Pond, Vicki Neilson, Carleen and Christine Englund, Mary Bobenmoyer, Kathy Bourrie, Kathy Kelly, Sandy Burkett and Diane Elenbaas.

CITY POLICE ISSUE 4 TRAFFIC SUMMONS

Grayling City Police issued summonses to four persons in the past week, they being Harold L. Strouse, 30, of Grayling for excessive speed, December 15th; Oliver L. Angemyer, 21, of Roscommon, for excessive speed, on December 17; Leonard V. Anderson, 21, of Roscommon, for excessive speed, on December 19; and Thomas E. Wright, 19, of Grayling for reckless driving and driving on an expired driver's license, on December 20. All have or will appear before Justice Don Gottho in the near future.

On December 19 Thomas Dutton had a hearing in Justice Court on the charge of auto theft which took place November 6, 1964. He was bound over to the January term of circuit court.

Camp AuSable To Begin Winter-Camping

Camp AuSable begins its winter camping season next Sunday, December 27th. On that day one hundred twenty young people and friends of youth will come from various parts of the state for a one week winter camp.

Director of the camp will be Lawrence Caviness, Seventh-day Adventist youth leader for the state of Michigan. Associated with him will be Merrill Fleming and Fred Beavon. Camp manager is Harold Jewkes, who also pastors the Grayling and Gaylord churches.

Winter camp activities will include tobogganing, skating, skiing, and old fashioned bob-sledding. It is expected that the former world champion ski jumper, Henry Hall, will be there to give ski instruction, and Mrs. Hall will demonstrate art under black light.

Each day will begin with Morning Watch, a devotional service. An inside-the-lodge camp fire with singing, stories, and nature nuggets will close the day's activities.

Trail to Traverse Used December 20th

A group of people opened the cross Michigan Riding and Hiking Trail to a new winter use Sunday, December 20th. They left from Grayling, their destination being the Rex Ranch at Traverse City, riding aboard Polaris Sno-Travelers furnished by Fergusons and Harold Young of Traverse City and Bud Mann of Higgins Lake.

Others who took part were Jack Enser and Ed Pollister. They were guided by Tony and Sally Wilhelm and Ray M. Gamm, members of the

Split In Two Games Last Week

After defeating the Mancelona Ironmen here on Tuesday of last week-and taking a defeat at the hands of the Gaylord Blue Devils there last week, the Grayling Vikings still find themselves in a four way tie for the lead in the Northern Class C Conference basketball race as the season slows for the annual holiday recess.

The Vikings will next see action on January 8th when they will entertain the dangerous Charlevoix Rayders here. The loop went topsy-turvy last week as front running Gaylord was dumped Tuesday night by the East Jordan Red Devils 62 to 59. East Jordan then turned around and took a 70 - 59 drubbing from the lowly Mancelona Ironmen on Friday night.

Recapture Fifth Camp Escapee

The fifth of six Camp Lehman escapees, who broke out late in November and kidnapped a Flint deer hunter and his son, was recaptured in Detroit last Friday.

Samuel E. Peeler, 21, of Flint was returned to Southern Michigan Prison in Jackson to await return to Grayling in January to face charges of unarmed robbery, kidnapping or both.

Peeler was serving a term for breaking and entering. Four were recaptured the next day after the escape in rural Saginaw and Detroit. It leaves only Willy Burkes, 22, of Detroit still at large. Burkes was serving a sentence for larceny.

James Burch Wins Flint Bank Promotion

Among eight promotions announced Tuesday, December 15th by the Genesee Merchants Bank & Trust Co. of Flint was that of James E. Burch, from assistant cashier and assistant credit manager to assistant vice president and assistant credit manager. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Burch of Grayling. He and his wife reside in Fenton.

Kiwanis Club Notes

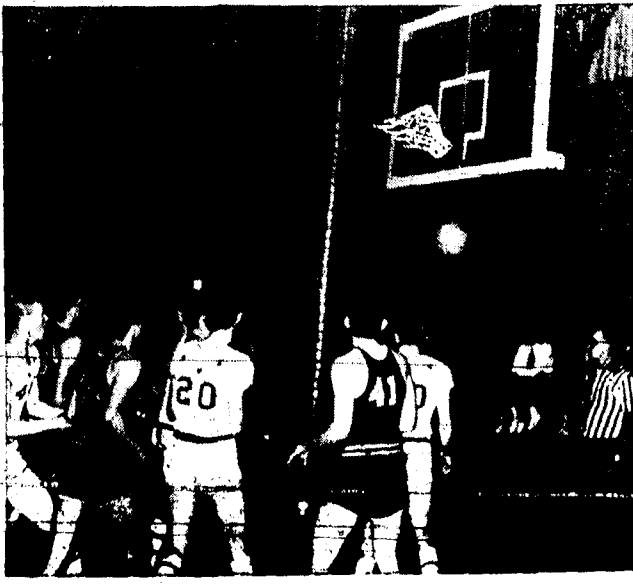
By Wes LaGrow

The dinner portion of the weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Grayling was held at the Chief Shoppengons Motor Hotel Monday evening. No program was held as the club recessed following the meal to pack their Christmas packages for the annual gift trip.

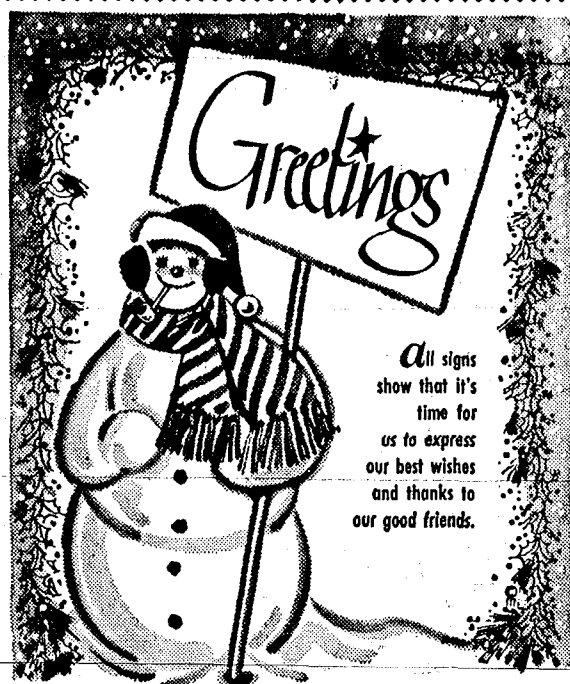
Next week's program will be under the direction of Bruce Carlson who will introduce Mrs. Walter Truettner. She will speak to the club about her recent trip through northern Europe and to Russia. A large turnout of members is expected to hear first hand news of the Soviet Union.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Office will be closed on Saturday, December 26th and Saturday, January 2nd.



VIKINGS SCORE AGAINST MANCERONA — Here last Tuesday night, Grayling racks up another field goal against the Mancelona Ironmen. Viking players in the photo are: Richard Smith, extreme left, and LeRoy Neal, center. Myrton Burrows Photo



All signs
show that it's
time for
us to express
our best wishes
and thanks to
our good friends.

MIKE'S SUNOCO SERVICE



A Joyous Christmas

May the Holy Family guide your path to a spiritually inspiring Christmas. And may all the days to come reflect the peace and joy of this blessed Holiday.

EMIL KRAUS Dry Goods Store



BLESSINGS

May the true, deep meaning of Christmas make the season bright for you and yours.

HUNTER'S DAIRY



Joy to the
world on this
Christmas!

We wish you
the blessings
of the Day.



DON'S STANDARD SERVICE

Bits O' Talk

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook entertained with an open house from 5 to 7 o'clock at their home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sorenson entertained friends with a 7 o'clock Christmas party at Camp Shoppenagons on the AuSable on Saturday.

The Frank Weinerts of Grand Ledge were in Grayling on business last Wednesday.

Albert Charron left last weekend for Springfield, Virginia, to visit his son A. J., Jr., and family. He also plans to spend some time in Harrisburg, Pa., with his son Donald.

Bill's Laundry-It will be closed Christmas Day and December 26th, also on New Year's Day and January 2nd.

Mrs. Mike Goodrich and Dawn were supper guests of the Don Fergusons Friday evening.

Mrs. Earl Isenbauer and daughter Kay visited the Ivan Davis, Jr., family in Clare last Thursday.

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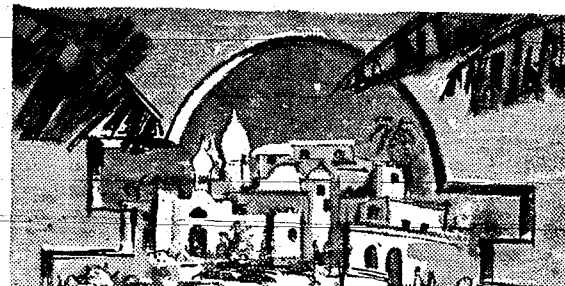
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Old Pat, the Swing Horse

By Floyd Davis

CHAPTER FOUR

It was a beautiful June night as Pat and his swingman arrived in front of a large apartment building on North Saginaw Street to make deliveries of milk, at each door upstairs. It took about five minutes to set off the milk, and get back to the wagon. This again was collection day and as soon as the milk had been delivered, a second trip was made around the route during the day to collect.

Most milkmen carried large pocketbooks with a heavy leather shoulder strap for this purpose, and had about ten dollars change in them. During the night while delivering the milk, they would hide this pocketbook in the wagon, such was the case this night.

When the swingman had finished deliveries at the apartments and was on his way to the next stop, a taxi cab wheeled in front of old Pat, and came to a screeching halt. The driver jumped out, ran back to the wagon and said, "Did you have a large pocketbook in the wagon?" Yes, the milkman replied, it's right here under this crate where I hid it. Oh, no, its gone! he said. Come with me the cabbie said, and they ran for the cab, got in and were off. The cab driver said, as they turned around and went South, "I just happened to see this man jump out of the wagon with something in his hand, as I was cruising along the street looking for a fare," and I got to thinking it might have been one of those big pocketbooks you guys carry. I think he went up this side street he said, as he turned the corner on two wheels. After going about two blocks up this street the cabbie said, there he is! Walking on the sidewalk, on my side of the street. With that, he pulled into a driveway in front of the guy and stopped. This cabbie was a large man and looked like he had been a prize fighter, by his flattened nose. He jumped out of the cab, grabbed the man by the arms, and pinned them to his side saying "OK buster, where is the pocketbook you took from the milkwagon?" This all happened while the milkman was getting around the front of the cab and over to where they were. The thief was yelling, "I don't have any pocketbook."

Let go of my arms. Of course the cabbie said a lot that I don't think would look very good in print, but the main idea he was trying to get to the thief was that, if he didn't give up the purse, he would break both his arms. While this was going on, the milkman was going through the clothing of this robber, after unbuttoning about six sweaters under this guys coat he finally said, here it is tucked into his pants. With that he pulled out the pocketbook and started counting the change. Its all here the milkman said, you can let him go. Let him go! The cabbie said, No! Call the police and I'll hold him till they get here. Naw, the milkman replied. I would have to spend too much time at the station and would never get my route finished. And anyway, I think he has learned his lesson with you squeezing the daylight out of him. OK the cabbie said if you insist, but I'm gonna bust him in the face a couple times to make sure he understands, and remembers. Naw don't do that, the milkman said, just let him go. The cabbie released the thief and he took off up the street like he had been shot from a cannon.

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... And That's The Way It Is ...

With the date of this issue, this editorial should probably be in the spirit of Christmas as tomorrow is the Nativity Day. However, on numerous occasions in the past we have had an occurrence that needs commenting upon and the sooner seems the better.

We have had several young people come into the Avalanche office requesting that their names be left out of the newspaper in most cases due to traffic summonses. This we refuse to do. After all this is a newspaper and is supposed to report the events of our area to our readers. This we try our best to do — good or bad.

Remember the Avalanche does not MAKE the news, YOU do. All we do is to report it. The best comment on this situation is to remind all that if they do not want their names to appear in connection with traffic tickets, or arrests for whatever reason, just keep clear of this type of a circumstance.

We are always happy to report the news of some one of our neighbors receiving some honor, the details of a happy marriage, the arrival of a new born to a fam-

SEASON'S GREETINGS



ily, the graduation of our young people and all the other news that speaks of happy living.

We do not enjoy reporting the type of news with which we dealt firstly, but it is our job, our responsibility to our readers. We will continue to do so . . . so start the new year right . . . if you do not wish your name to be connected with this type of story think again before you spin those wheels or blast down the street over the speed limit. The law officials will do their job and face up to their responsibility and so will the Avalanche. To use the old cliché, "the life you save may be your own."

Merry Christmas to all . . . even those who are a little peeved with us. R. W. S.

In Grayling 23 Years Ago

Interesting Items of News
Gathered From the Files of
the "Avalanche" of 23
Years Ago.

December 25, 1941

Thursday evening the members of the Woman's Club and several guests attended a dinner at the Conservation Officers' Training school at Higgins Lake. The dining room was lovely with yuletide greens and lighted red tapers. Mrs. Stanley Stealy and Mrs. Charles Meisel were co-chairmen of the evening. Mrs. Stealy acting as toastmaster at the dinner. Mrs. Harold MacNeven, chairman of the Crawford County Defense Council made a few remarks on the objectives of the committee. Russell Martin, head of educational division of the department of conservation, gave a talk on what the school was accomplishing. Following the dinner Mr. Martin showed motion pictures on "Life of a Civilian Conservation Corps Camp" and "Wild Flowers Found Throughout Michigan." Some ninety-six attended the dinner. This was the annual Christmas party for the club.

Mrs. E. A. Naylor of Lansing is a pretty lucky woman. Shot through the back while hunting near Otsego Lake, near Gaylord, by a hunter who mistook her for a bear, she is now sufficiently recovered to go home. She was brought to Grayling Mercy hospital and it was found the bullet that entered her back had missed vital organs by a very small margin. She has almost completely recovered and left the hospital last week Thursday for her home. Mrs. Naylor says she hopes to return soon for a canoe trip down the AuSable river. And next hunting season will see her again on the runways.

The Grayling basketball team won its first victory of the season Tuesday night, December 16, against Roscommon, one of the best Class "D" schools in this part of the state, by a score of 26 to 23. In one of the most exciting games played this season, and with four veteran players absent, Grayling played a losing game until the last four minutes, when the team came from behind to win.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmo of Frederic on December 17th. Mrs. Elmo is formerly Ruby Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Melroy left Frederic Tuesday to spend the holidays with Mr. Melroy's parents in Tiffin, Ohio. They expect to spend the winter in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffman of Alpena arrived Wednesday to



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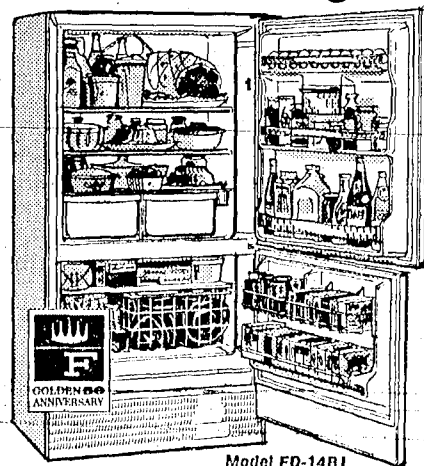


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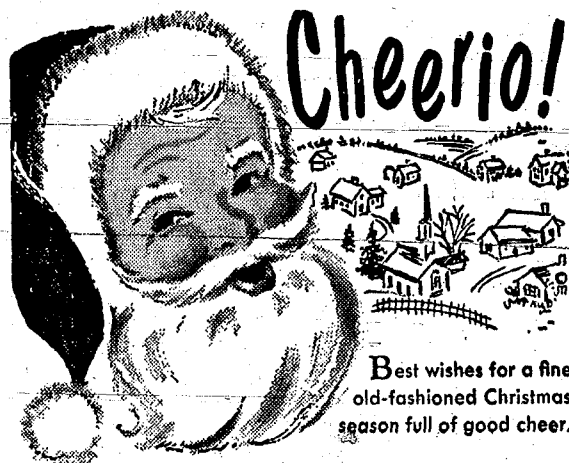
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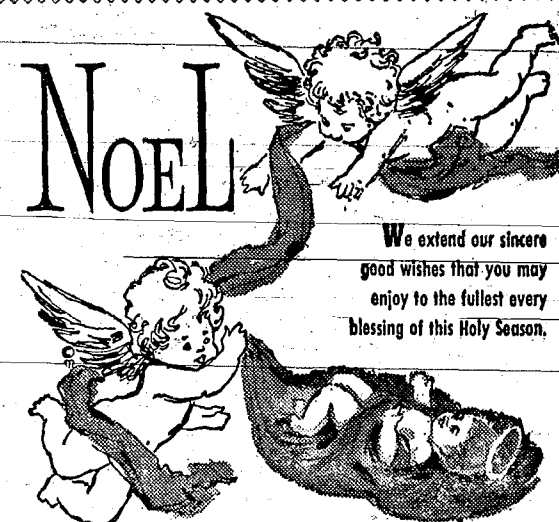
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FOR SALE — Used Homelite chain saws. Guaranteed. Pete's Sinclair Service, Grayling. 10/8/14

ONE-BEDROOM modern furnished year-around cottage for rent at Lake Margrethe. Roy Smith 348-4371. 17-24

FOR SALE — Pair 7-foot skis, semi-safety bindings, and poles. Phone 348-4793. 17-24

FOR SALE — Christmas gifts, Blue Tick and Beagle pups, six weeks old, males \$10, females \$5. 300 Fulton St., Grayling, 348-2661 or 348-2662. 17-24

WANTED — Used ski equipment especially boots and poles. Lora Gould, Ski Swap Shop phone 348-2331. 24

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Female help wanted — Interviewer for part time telephone survey work. Give phone number and counter. Prefer private line. Not a selling job. Air mail letter including education, work experience, names of references to American Research Bureau, Field Staff Dept., Beltsville, Maryland. 24

FOR SALE — Used Deluxe Roper range, with rotisserie. In excellent condition. Phone 348-3092. 24

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NOW SELLING KNAPP SHOES A complete line of dress shoes, work and hunting boots. Phone 348-5351, LeRoy Papendick. 24

HOLIDAY SPECIAL
Two-bedroom home at 404 Elm St. just off Michigan Avenue. Dining and living room, bath and large utility. Rugs and drapes included. Priced at only \$4,200.00. 24-31

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Just arrived — Shipment of "Old Ausable" books in time for Christmas gifts. Avalanche office.

FOR RENT — Business buildings formerly occupied by North End Grocery and gas station. 404 McClellan. Phone. Gould Cleaners for details. 10-17-24

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE
MICHIGAN AVE. — Nine rooms two baths. Good large family home. Rest home or apartment. 24

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M-72 WEST — Two bedroom modern home. 24

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Edward Gierke - Phone 348-2542 3-10

FOR RENT — New furnished two bedroom apartment. Private entrance. Available Jan 1. Phone 348-2871, 1105 Co. Road. Edward Underwood. 24

USED TELEVISION SETS, \$35.00 and up. See Claude, 804 Michigan Avenue. 24-31

Ski bindings mounted. Gary Parkinson, 1100 Ogema, phone 348-2312. 24-31

School Notes

Monday — The School Board met in the Teacher's Lounge at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Economic Opportunity Act. The High School Chorus presented "The Messiah" in the gym at 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday — All High School Teachers met in Room 44 at 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday — School out at noon. Buses will leave at 11:45 a.m. School will re-open January 4, 1965.

OUR GANG
The Our Gang Club held their Christmas dinner Friday, Dec. 18th at the Shoppenagos Hotel, there were 20 members present. The tables were set for a Christmas dinner motif. Doris Palmer furnished the angel place cards. The group retired to the Viking Room for games and exchange of gifts. An enjoyable evening was had by all. The Jan. 7th hostess to be Mrs. Cleo Mortenson, Comm. Eureka. Stephan and Margaret Maden the Birthday cake to be furnished by the... 24

Maple Forest

By Miss Bessie Feldhauser,
Mrs. Arthur Howse and Mrs.
Carrie Bayneham

Mrs. Eva Papenfus came home from Mercy Hospital on Saturday after three weeks following surgery.

Miss Ruth Papenfus came home on Friday from Grand Rapids to spend the holiday season. Her father, Roy Papenfus, drove down to bring her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel attended the funeral of their brother-in-law Glen Jack, at Flint on Friday.

The Township Officers attended a meeting at Traverse City on Thursday. Those attending were Mrs. Pearl Babbitt, Martha Petersen, Arno Plagens and Stanley Hummel.

Mr. and Mrs. Dohn Weaver spent a few days last week in Detroit visiting their son Lee and family, and new grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beck attended the funeral of an uncle at Galien the forepart of the week.

Mrs. Loretta Plagens was hostess to the Home Extension Study Group on Tuesday evening. Each member started off the evening by making a Christmas tree decoration. Then a theme was read of traditions of other countries by each member reading a paragraph. Then Martha Peterson read the story of "The Little Fir Tree" by Hans Christian Andersen and showed an original design from Denmark portraying the story. This was followed by the opening of gifts both exchange and secret pal gifts by the members. A delicious lunch served by the hostess rounded out the evening.

Alfred Hummel, who works for American Airlines in Washington, D. C., came home Sunday for a few days' visit with his parents, the Stanley Hummels.

Norine Canfield, Loretta Plagens, Sharon Plagens Wakeley and Buddy Hamblin are all employed at Mt. Frederick.

Lynn Charron has been working at the Grayling Winter Sports Park.

Diane Blanchard has been at Griffith, Ind., with her sister Darlene to help her with her new baby.

Donald Plagens went to New Haven on Friday to bring his mother here for an early Christmas on Sunday and then the Plagens family are taking her back on Wednesday and will have Christmas down there also.

Donald and Neal Plagens are leaving on Wednesday on a ten-day trip to California and Arizona.

Edward H. Feldhauser arrived on Saturday night from Ritter, Oregon to spend the holiday season with his father Ed Feldhauser and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Jon Roethelie of Roscomon visited at the Stanley Hummel home on Sunday.

Auto Jobbers Again Give College Scholarships

Christmas stockings filled with college scholarships — that is the gift which six Independent Automotive Jobber Suppliers are providing to eleven high school students in Northern Michigan. The gift takes the place of the usual customer gifts of little trinkets.

The customers like the college scholarships so much better and so do the jobbers, the colleges, and the students.

The idea of giving "education" as a Christmas gift began twelve years ago and this year's scholarships will bring the total in that time to 175.

The six companies who make the scholarships possible are: A & A Service, Manistee; Automotive Parts & Supply, Grayling; Northern Auto Parts Company, Traverse City; Petoskey, Manistee, Bellaire; Pochman Motor Company, Petoskey; Traverse City, Alpena, Gaylord, Charlevoix, and Cheboygan; W. L. Norris Company, Cadillac; and Speed's Automotive Supply, Cadillac.

Four colleges who receive these "Northern Michigan Auto Service Dealers Scholarships," each selecting its own student winners are: Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City; Ferris State College, Big Rapids; Alpena Community College, Alpena; and North Central Michigan College, Petoskey.

Lake Margrethe

By Marjorie Flower
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Birdsall left for Detroit Wednesday morning to attend an engineers' Christmas dinner and returned home on Thursday evening.

Dale and Rena Papendick spent the weekend with their grandparents, the F. J. McClains, while their folks went to Bay City and Flint for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Birdsall and the Stan Flowers were in Traverse City Tuesday on business.

Merry Christmas to all our friends and readers. We welcome any news items, which may be called in to our number, 348-9164.

Our Weather
(Courtesy of Billy Kinkert)

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20 — — 4"

Rain, Sleet, Melted Snow, Snow Ground

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Bits O' Talk

Miss Susan Hayes is a CMU student visiting her parents, the Bob Hayes, for the holidays.

Bill Gould and David Cincinnati left Sunday for Boyne Mountain to spend until Christmas Eve. There are international instructors there who will work with the skiers and help get them in shape for C.U.S.A. racing.

Beulah Stephan came home from Mercy Hospital last Saturday. She has been confined there with a broken leg and is navigating on crutches at home.

To correct an error: Miss Alice Richmond, guest of the County Extension Study Group Christmas Workshop, Dec. 1st, was from the Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, Mt. Pleasant, and not as stated.

Cathy Forbes from Wayne State U. in Detroit is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Forbes. Her guests were roommate Diane Mitchell of Pontiac and suite-mate Karen Deeter of Iron Mountain. The Forbes family is going to spend Christmas with their son Jack of Farmington and daughter Ed of Detroit, returning Sunday the 27th.

Western Union office will be closed from Thursday noon December 24th till Monday December 28. Any incoming telegrams will be handled by Saginaw (phone Pleasant 3-7741) and phoned direct if possible.

Frederic News
By Mrs. Harry Horton and Mrs. Betty Nowlin

Miss Delores Mayer arrived home from Detroit last weekend to spend this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith will be home Thursday from Jackson to spend the weekend with their parents, the Mayers and the Clyde Smiths.

The Games Party was successful Saturday evening. A feather party was held. There will not be any games parties for the next 2 Sat. evenings due to the Holidays.

The next one will be on Sat., Jan. 9th. The Fire Dept. and Auxiliary wish everyone a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

Bob and Betty Church held their Xmas party Sat. evening Dec. 19 at the home of Bernie Hinkle. There were 16 in attendance. A nice supper, a gift exchange and good time was had by all.

Mrs. Fred (Hazel) Duncley is on the sick list at this writing. Hurry and get well, Hazel.

Quite a number of homes are prettily decorated here-in town for Xmas spirit. Also the new park looks real good.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tobin spent Saturday in Traverse City shopping.

Sunday P. M. Fruit Boxes were packed by Helma Post, Ruth Barber, Juanita Ennis and Betty Nowlin of the Fire Dept. Auxiliary for the people of town. Firemen delivered them Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Weaver and family spent the weekend in Lansing.

The Auxiliary Xmas party was well attended on Thursday, Dec. 17. Santa paid his visit with toys and singing was enjoyed. Ice cream, cookies and chocolate milk were served by Nila Gabriel, Dianne Phillips, Mary Weaver and Ruth Barber, members of the Auxiliary. A good job girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutton and family of Beaver Creek spent Sunday afternoon with her sister and family the William Nowlins.

The Ray Middletons had company from Saginaw for the weekend, her sister and family, up to enjoy an outing at Mt. Frederick which opened on Sat. Dec. 19th.

Denise Welch is on the sick list at the present writing, also Anita Lozon. Hurry and get well wishes to both.

Moose Lodge Activities

It seems that there are people helping themselves to the Christmas trees at the Lodge. The money from these trees goes to help make some of the children's Christmas in this town a little happier, so we hope you enjoy the use of these trees that help deprive children out of a little more happiness.

Starting Sunday, Dec. 27th, the club will be closed Sunday's until further notice. Maybe we can also get some more work done that needs to be finished.

Saturday afternoon we had our annual Christmas party for the kids. Cake and ice cream was served, and each child received a stocking full of candy, nuts, fruit. Santa Claus was present also, and had a lot of fun with the young folks.

Sunday we had the rabbit hunt. Several rabbits were brought back. The hunters enjoyed breakfast together at the lodge before leaving on the hunt.

On Dec. 31st we are having a New Years Eve party, with music to dance by, favors, and a good time. There will be no increase in prices.

On Jan. 10th there is a District meeting, and Jan. 17 a Legion of the Moose meeting. Our next enrollment is Jan. 24th, by Muskegon Ritual Team.

There will be no regular meeting at the lodge on Fri., Jan. 1st. This is the first Friday of the month, but we will wait and hold our next regular meeting on Friday, Jan. 15th.

The Club will be closed from 9:00 p.m. Dec. 24th until 11 a.m. Dec. 26, and from 4:00 a.m. Jan. 1st until 11 a.m. Jan. 2nd.

To everyone we wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Lovells News

By Emma Stillwagon

The Annual Community Christmas party was enjoyed by about 65 folks of our community. A delicious dinner was served after which Santa Claus arrived with gifts and treats for the children. Games were later enjoyed by all.

The Ladies Club would like to thank all who helped make the party a success.

Mrs. Beverly Spaulding and daughters are spending their Christmas vacation with her parents in Florida.

Mrs. Louise Haefka and Alfred Hanna left Monday to spend some time in Midland with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Koernke and son Tom are spending the holidays with her parents in Ohio.

Our Community Sunday School presented their Christmas program Sunday evening, which was enjoyed by all. The group is small they had a fine program.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Koernke, Susan and Gust Koernke are spending several days in Ann Arbor and Jackson.

Jim Douglas and Rupe Pearsall made a business trip to Saginaw Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Rooker attended a Christmas party at Saginaw on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eud Bollman are enjoying having his mother, from Chicago with them over the holidays.

The Five Hundred parties will start on Saturday, Jan. 2nd at 8:00 at the Ladies Club Room. All are invited to come and enjoy the evening. Pot-luck.

Miss Janet Johnson is home from Ferris to enjoy the Christmas holidays.

Eager Beavers Hold 4-H Christmas Party

We invited our mothers to our Christmas Party, Saturday, Dec. 19, and surprised them with presents. We had each made Mother a "Kitchen-Aid Doll." We each used a white plastic bottle of dish washing detergent for the body, a styrofoam ball was the head, with pencil or crayon features drawn on, and a round mesh pot cleaner for hair. The doll was wearing a "sour cloth" apron and a Christmas Corsage that mother will probably be wearing on her own coat or dress for the holidays. One saintly doll even wore a halo. Mothers had fun trying to pick out the present made by their own child, but did not score very high in that guessing game. Mothers present at the party were our leader, Mrs. Franz Kersch, Mrs. Andie Neilson, and Mrs. Lewis Konvicka. We served a delicious German Chocolate Cake made by Mrs. Kersch and coffee and there were Christmas Cookies and pop which, along with the table service, were provided by the club members. Those present were John and Barbara Peters, Karl Kersch, Vicky Neilson, Pam Leonard, and Betty Konvicka.

Betty Konvicka, repoter.

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Consumers Power Asks For Space Heat Rate Drop

LANSING — Consumers Power Company Friday, asked the Michigan Public Service Commission for permission to make a 10% reduction in its electric space heating rates to residential customers.

Under the proposed new residential rate, cost for electric space heating to the Company's 3,200 users of this service would be reduced about 75 thousand dollars a year, John W. Klueberg, Vice President, said.

The Company also asked permission to establish a new rate schedule for commercial and industrial electric space heating customers. There are some 300 of these on the Company's lines.

Mr. Klueberg said the amount of the reduction would vary in each individual case among these large users who switched to the new rate, with a total savings to the commercial and industrial users of some 20 thousand dollars the first year.

Star Of Bethlehem Remains A Mystery

Ann Arbor — The Star of Bethlehem still remains an astronomical mystery.

With Christmas symbols everywhere, the popular interest in astronomy reaches its peak in December

BITS O' TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Longworth entertained the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and spouses on Sunday from 3 to 5 o'clock.

Word from the Paul Feldhausers is that they have arrived in Brooksville, Fla., to spend the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lee spent Wednesday, the 16th in Lansing visiting their son Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Lee and children.

The Lewis Stillwagons visited their 3-year-old granddaughter Tammy Mead at Alpena Hospital, where she is ill with nephritis. The Stillwagons attended a banquet at Boyne Mountain December 11th for U. S. S. A. members, and on Dec. 14th another banquet for Northwestern Law Enforcement Association members at the West Branch country club.

The Arthur Carlson family, Corlyn Meech and Mr. and Mrs. Rod Powers were in Bellevue Sunday to attend the annual Carlson family Christmas party.

Cindi Carlson celebrated her 9th birthday anniversary December 22, her mother serving cupcakes to her Third Grade class in the afternoon to help her celebrate.

John Douglas came from Cleveland Saturday to spend two weeks visiting his mother, Mrs. Florence Douglas. Christmas guests at the Douglas home will be her father, Robert J. Edmiston and daughter Mamie W. Woodruff, both of Detroit and Mrs. Douglas' brother, James C. Edmiston, of Farmington.

Mrs. Don Rockelman was called to Mt. Pleasant Thursday because of the death of her father-in-law, Harold Rockelman at the home of his daughter, Gayla Merchant. He was 63 years old. Mrs. Rockelman picked up her three eldest children, Michael, Mitchell and Monica and attended the funeral services on Sunday at 2 o'clock at the Youngman Funeral Home in Lakeview.

The Rev. Alro Banden officiated and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. Besides his daughter Mrs. Merchant, Mr. Rockelman leaves nine grandchildren. Little Kimlyn and John stayed here with their grandmother, Mrs. Oscar Goss, while their mother was away. Jacquelyn Christian is home from Ferris Institute for the holidays with her parents the LeRoy Christians.

Jennie Sheehy arrived home Saturday from Minneapolis, where she attends Humboldt Institute, and will spend the holidays with her parents, the R. J. Sheehys. Her brother Mark will be home from Detroit Christmas Eve for the weekend.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Puffer are spending the holidays with their daughter Mrs. Gene Lasher at Troy. They plan to go to Florida later.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jekel of Saginaw visited the Stanley Lazarowicz Sunday.

Count Our Blessings

By David D. Olson
County Extension Director

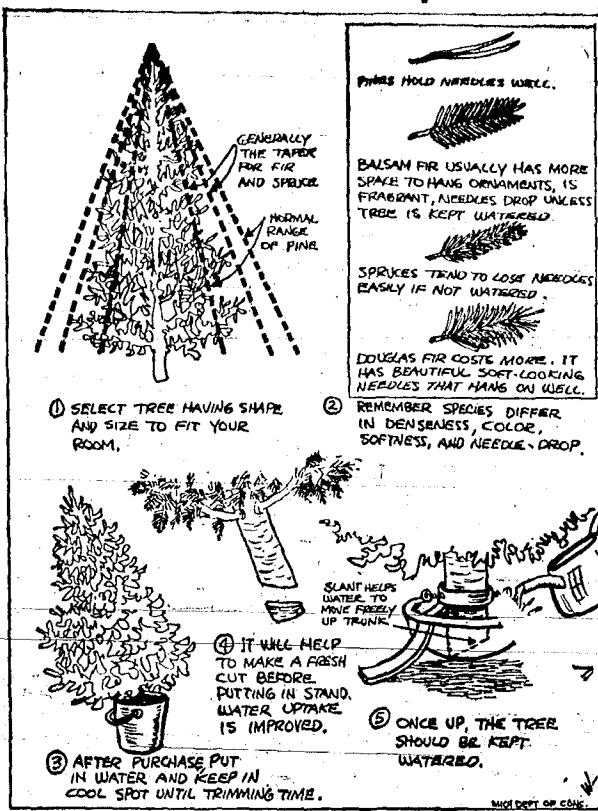
As this Christmas week is with us and American families join together to observe the joyous occasion, many everyday items are taken for granted. It would be well for everyone to stop for a few moments as you arise from Christmas dinner and think about how fortunate American people really are.

Families continually seem to have difficulties in meeting financial obligations regardless of their income, but we as a nation are extremely prosperous in comparison with any other country.

One of the prime factors in creating this prosperity has been the rapid advances in agricultural production and technology. Farmers and others who are engaged in the gigantic food and fiber industry have made significant contributions to the U. S. economy. The major contribution of agriculture has been in supplying the nation with an adequate supply of wholesome food at a reasonable price. Total farm output has continually been increasing more rapidly than population increases.

Fifteen years ago, Americans were spending about 24 percent of their income on food. Today, U. S. consumers can command the quantity

Christmas Tree Tips



ty, quality, variety, packaging and many services they desire in their food purchases with only 19 percent of their income. This is the smallest share that any nation has ever spent on food.

With proportionally less money required for food, consumers have more money available for buying other goods and for investments.

American agriculture has contributed not only to the growth in the U. S. economy but also has been assisting other nations. Much of the effort has been concentrated on underdeveloped nations. Citizens of the United States can truly count our blessings with the high standard of living and the good health and welfare of our citizens.

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ST. MARY'S LADIES CLUB

St. Mary's Ladies Club honored the elderly ladies of the parish at a Christmas party at St. Mary's Hall Tuesday evening, December 15th. For entertainment they were treated to Christmas carols sung by the High School choir of St. Mary's church, and also a recording by children of the school which was a "thank-you" for the recording that the ladies had worked for. There were 50 present at the party. The long tables for lunch were decorated with Scotch pine boughs, white poinsettias and red tapers. Fr. Salowski spoke a few words of tribute to the honored guests and bestowed his Christmas blessing on all. Mrs. James Duley welcomed the group on behalf of the club and also paid a lovely tribute to them, saying the party was a thank-you for their work during many years, and that the younger ones would now try to follow in their footsteps.

There were many door prizes awarded during the evening, and corsages presented to the guests of honor. The senior ladies were very happy at being so honored. Punch was served by the lunch committee, Mrs. Tom Douglas, Mrs. Leroy Christian, Mrs. Earl Whaley and Mrs. Ed Kucharek. A fine array of gifts for patients at the Traverse City State hospital was brought, and on Sunday a group of ladies distributed baskets of fruit to many elderly persons and shut-ins. The ladies helping were Mrs. Irving McIsaac, Mrs. Jack Trudgeon, Mrs. Harold Hempe, Mrs. Lawrence Goodrick and Mrs. Wilfred Laurant.

A Christmas tree for the school children was held Wednesday and Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year.

Beaver Creek Breezes

Mrs. Roy Dutton and Mrs. Alvin Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Galloway and little Mike of Flint came up Saturday to visit his folks, the Frank Galloways and to take Mike's sister, Juanita down for a few days. Carol is out of the hospital and convalescing at the Harwood residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Helsel and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Helsel spent Saturday in Saginaw.

Tony Galloway spent Friday and Saturday night with the Alvin Browns.

Mrs. Ellen Helsel and youngsters spent Monday in Traverse City. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutton were in Frederic Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nowlin and Mr. and Mrs. Barber. The Nowlins returned their visit Sunday night.

Mrs. Marvin Rhodes and children and Lynk and Nancy Helsel were Sunday dinner guests of Harold Helsel.

Twin Bridges

By Mrs. Esther Herrick

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poorman had their son Don and two daughters up from Saginaw for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gerhard will spend the Christmas Holiday with their son and family of Detroit and daughter and family of Birmingham.

Mr. Paul Loeffler is spending a few days in Detroit with his son and family, also visiting his singing group of Detroit who have made several trips to Lovells. We have enjoyed their singing so much.

Saturday evening the Lovells Community gave their annual Xmas party which was very well attended and Santa even took time from his busy schedule to stop off and visit the children and give them gifts and candy. Much credit is due these faithful ladies for their work and effort in this annual party given by the Cheerful Givers Club each year.

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SUNSHINE HYDROX COOKIES	1-LB. PKG.	43¢
MARICO CHIT CHAT CRACKERS	2 8 1/2-OZ. PKGS.	77¢
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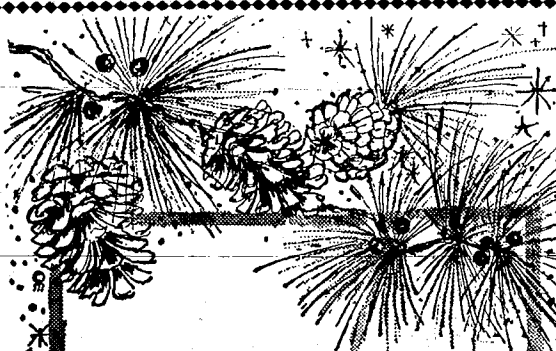
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with a joyous and
holy Christmas season.

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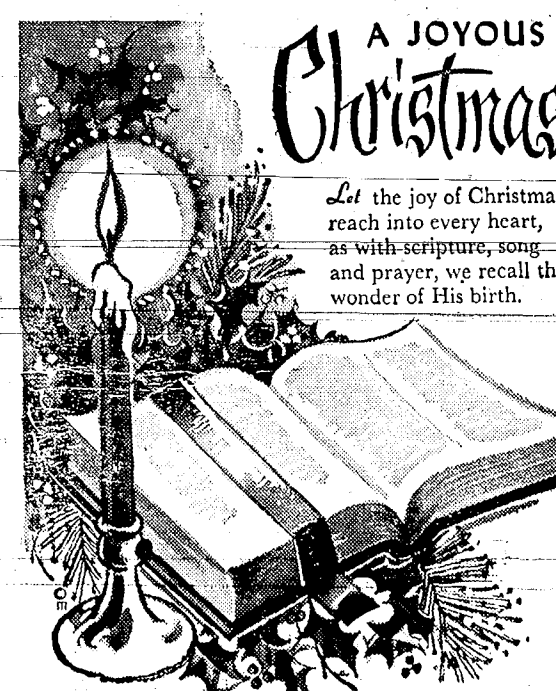
a very merry Christmas, and thank you for
your kindness and loyalty is the purpose
of this, our sincere holiday greeting.

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We hark
in our hearts
to the angelic
tidings, and extend
best wishes for a happy and
holy Christmas season

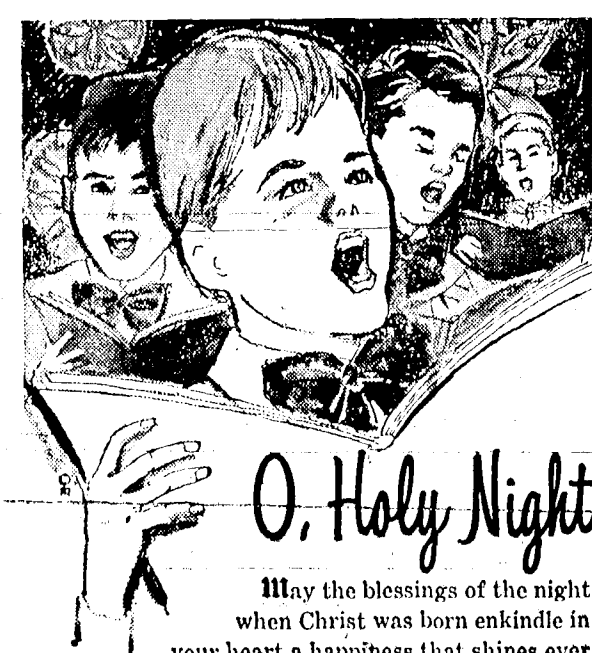
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A JOYOUS Christmas

Let the joy of Christmas
reach into every heart,
as with scripture, song
and prayer, we recall the
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O, Holy Night

May the blessings of the night
when Christ was born enkindle in
your heart a happiness that shines ever
brighter throughout all the days to come.

AL & JESSIE'S CAFE

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

LAST WEEKS
ANSWER

ACROSS

- Spurt
- Religion of the Moslems
- Hewing tool
- The capital of Egypt
- Sacred bull
- Historical records
- "Big Three" meeting place
- A Great Lake
- Compass point: abbr.
- Not near
- Half an em
- Instructors, as of animals
- Capital of Bulgaria
- Recipient of a gift
- Pledged
- Wife of Shamaah
- Patriotic organization: abbr.
- Luzon native
- No. sl.
- Serious
- Large, heavy hammer
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- Fashion: abbr.
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DOWN

- Nippon
- Banishment

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READY TO JOIN THE LIONS AND CLUBS...

THE FORMER WASHINGTON STATE ALL AMERICAN HAS CAUGHT PASSES FOR OVER 600 YARDS THREE YEARS IN A ROW. HE'S 6'2" TALL, 200 POUNDS AND IS 27 YEARS OLD...

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the
County of Crawford
In the Matter of the Estate of
Leonard Isenbauer, Deceased.
At a session of said Court, held
on December 8th, 1964,
Present, Honorable Beulah Nea-
fie Moore, Judge of Probate.
Notice is hereby given, That the
petition of Helen M. Feldhauser
praying that the instrument filed
in said Court be admitted to pro-
bate as the Last Will and Testa-
ment of said deceased, that admin-
istration of said estate be granted
to Helen M. Feldhauser or to some
other suitable person, and that the
heirs of said deceased be deter-
mined, will be heard at the Pro-
bate Court on December 28th, 1964
at 10:00 A. M.
It is Ordered, That notice there-
of be given by publication of a
copy hereof for three weeks, con-
secutively previous to said day of
hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche
and that the petitioner cause a
copy of this notice to be served
upon each known party in interest
at his last known address by regis-
tered, certified or ordinary mail
(with proof of mailing), or by per-
sonal service at least fourteen (14)
days prior to such hearing.
Beulah Neafie Moore
Judge of Probate

**In the Spirit
of Christmas**

We wish you a Day,
bright with hope,
rich in the blessings
of the season.

**PETE'S
SINCLAIR
SERVICE**

**A
VERY
MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

Here's hoping you're
on your way to a
happy holiday season!

**WHARFF'S
DINNER BELL INN**

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the
County of Crawford
In the Matter of the Estate of
Lynn Kile Deceased.
At a session of said Court, held
on December 10th, 1964,
Present, HONORABLE Beulah
Moore, Judge of Probate.
Notice is hereby given, That the
petition of Leo E. Lovely, the Ad-
ministrator of said estate, praying
that his final account be allowed
and the residue of said estate as-
signed to the persons entitled there-
to, will be heard at the Probate
Court on January 4, 1965, at 10:00
A. M.
It is Ordered, that notice thereof
be given by publication of copy
hereof for three weeks consecutively
previous to said day of hearing,
in the Crawford County Avalanche,
and that the petitioner cause a
copy of this notice to be served
upon each known party in interest
at his last known address by cer-
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sonal service, at least fourteen (14)
days prior to such hearing.
BEULAH MOORE,
Judge of Probate
A true copy
— Beulah Moore
Judge of Probate. 17-24-31

Hi!
and
Merry
Christmas
to
Everyone!

GRAYLING HOME BAKERY

Crawford County Avalanche
Thursday, December 24, 1964

Noel

Wishing you
all the
joys of the
Christmas
season.



Save-Way Laundry & Dry Cleaning

"CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY"

Warm Christmas Wishes

Hope Santa
fills your
Christmas
stocking
with
everything
your heart
desires!



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**Good
Wishes
to All!**

In great sincerity, we express our appreciation
for our friendly association. May you and yours
have a holiday season abundantly filled with joy.

**STAR'S
MARATHON SERVICE**

Noël Noël

At this glad Christmastide, we wish
for you the great gifts of faith renewed and spirit
uplifted by the joy and promise of His holy birth.

SHOEMAKER'S J. & J. Store

**GREETINGS
for
Christmas**

May your
Day be merry and light,
and may all your Christmases
be bright! Best wishes to everyone.

McWILLIAMS BARBER SHOP

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NOEL

At the time when the star of Bethlehem shone bright with holy beauty, we would like to wish you a blessed Christmastide.



ARROWHEAD INN



Hope Santa's bringing our many friends the Merriest Christmas ever!

C. R. HOLCOMB

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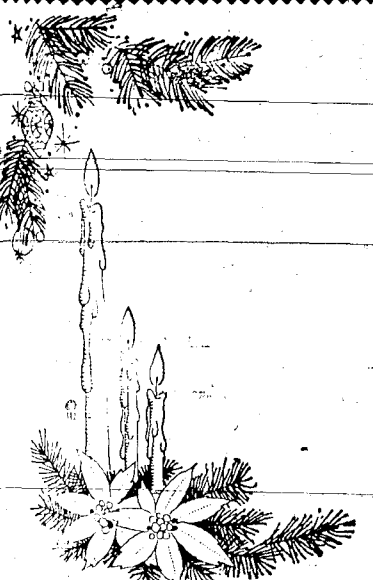
Christmas Greetings

Merry Christmas, one and all, from all of us... and thanks for coming in to see us and making our Christmas such a happy one this year, as always.



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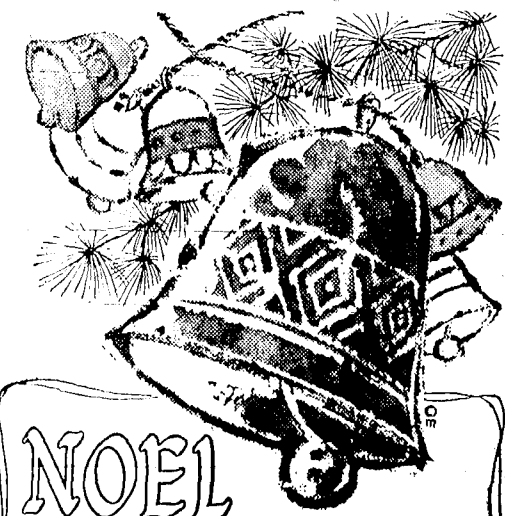
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MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BRING YOU ALL THE JOY YOUR LOYAL FRIENDSHIP HAS BROUGHT TO US. WARMEST WISHES!

Riverside Texaco

AND MINIATURE GOLF



NOEL

The Christmas bells peal loud and clear. As you hear their message, may your heart be filled with joy.

TED HAUSMANN

Road Commissioners Minutes

December 4, 1964
A regular meeting of the Board of Crawford County Road Commission held in their office in Grayling. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Johnson. Members present, Commissioners Harold T. Johnson, Elmer A. Corsaut, Howard H. Mead, and Eng-Supt. Bruce Carlson. Absent, None.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read. A motion was made by Comm. Mead, seconded by Comm. Corsaut, that the minutes be accepted as read. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Clarence Holcomb appeared before the Board regarding his subdivision.

The Consumers Power Company asked for a blanket permit to trim brush along power transmission lines in the County. A motion was made by Comm. Corsaut, seconded by Comm. Mead, that the Consumers Power Company be granted such permission. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Ralph Morse, Skyline Ski Resort, appeared before the Board regarding land adjacent to the resort property.

Bids received for Gasoline, Diesel Fuels No. 1 and No. 2, and Workman's Compensation Insurance, Inland Marine Insurance and Comprehensive Commercial Insurance were presented. A motion was made by Comm. Mead, seconded by Comm. Corsaut, that the bids be opened. All voted in favor, motion carried. Results of bidding as follows:

Standard Oil Company—Gasoline .1158; No. 1 .1113; No. 2 .1029; Terms 1% 30 days.

Pure Oil Company—Gasoline .1320; No. 1 .1230; No. 2 .1130; Terms 1% 10 days.

Leonard Refineries—Gasoline .1165; No. 1 .1180; No. 2 .1060; Terms 1% 30 days.

Oscoda Refining Co.—Gasoline .1224; No. 1 .1130; No. 2 .1030; Terms 1% 30 days.

Marathon Oil Co.—Gasoline .1200; No. 1 .1150; No. 2 .1050; Terms 1% 30 days.

Mobil Oil Co.—Gasoline .1183; No. 1 .1200; No. 2 .1100; Terms 1% 30 days.

Grayling Agency—Commercial Liability 1718.72; Inland Marine 567.66; Workman's Compensation 3888.03.

Employers Mutual—First Quotation, 3959.30; Second Quotation 3637.81.

A motion was made by Comm. Corsaut, seconded by Comm. Mead, that the bid for Gasoline at .1158, Diesel Fuel No. 1 .1113, and Diesel Fuel No. 2 at .1029, be awarded to the Standard Oil Company. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Considerable discussion was held regarding the Workman's Compensation bid. The poor past performance of Employers Mutual of Wausau's in servicing our account in 1963 and the fact that Employers Mutual of Wausau did not submit a bid for 1964 was discussed. After discussing all the aspects of the Road Commission Insurance coverages, a motion was made by Commissioner Mead, supported by Commissioner Corsaut, that in the best interest of Crawford County, the bid for Workman's Compensation, Inland Marine Insurance and Comprehensive Commercial Insurance, be awarded to the Grayling Agency. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The Bids on the buildings were presented. A motion was made by Comm. Corsaut, seconded by Commissioner Mead, that the bids be opened. Bid submitted by Joe Durga; Building No. 1 \$5.00, Building No. 2 \$25.00. It was moved and seconded that the Bid of Joe Durga be accepted. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Bernard Fowler, Supervisor of Grayling Township, appeared before the Board regarding township participation in road improvement at Lake Margrethe.

The Commissioners and Eng-Supt. Carlson drove over roads in the several townships. After returning to their office a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. All voted in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Harold T. Johnson
Chairman

U'Harley Russell
Secretary

December 7 & 8, 1964

A special meeting of the Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners held to attend a meeting of the Association of Road Commissioners, Engineers and Superintendents held at Grand Rapids. Commissioners Harold T. Johnson, Elmer A. Corsaut, Howard H. Mead, and Eng-Supt. Bruce Carlson, and Secretary U'Harley Russell attended the meeting.

Harold T. Johnson
Chairman

U'Harley Russell
Secretary

My Neighbors

"He figures making like a Christmas tree will save him."



CAROLERS... Even the professionals like to brush up on their Carol singing. Here, Janet Leigh and Andy Williams make pretty music.



We can make our Christmas much happier if we make it a point to try to make the Christmas spirit a real thing in our lives.

We can begin our search for the Christmas spirit by noting the real happiness in the eyes of children. We can find it in the simple act of doing something for the less fortunate than ourselves—the sick, the shut-ins, the lonely and the poor.

We are most certain to find it if we turn our thoughts and our steps toward the church by the side of the road. Here, we will find the unescapable meaning of Christmas and the entire Yuletide season—the birth of Jesus—a message of hope and peace for all the world.



Gifts piled high 'neath a glittering tree... the happy sounds of children... it's Christmas, and the time for joyous celebration with loved ones. Hearty wishes for a truly happy Christmas.

GRAYLING BAY SERVICE



Because we realize how much our success is due to you, we are most sincerely appreciative.

H. G. Jarmin, General Insurance



Merry Christmas to You

It is a real pleasure to say "Thank you" and wish you the happiest of holidays.

WAYSIDE INN

Vi and Murphy Barker

Bits O' Talk

Mrs. George Wiggins of Saginaw came for her mother, Mrs. Albert Knibbs on Friday. Mrs. Knibbs will spend the holidays with the Wiggins family and with New Years plans to leave for Florida to spend the winter with her brothers.

Kathy Hempel arrived home Friday from Delta College, Bay City, to spend the holidays with her mother Mrs. Harold Hempel and family.

The Don Welsers left Thursday for Marine City to spend the holidays visiting his parents, the Harold Welsers, Sr.

Floyd Millikin is a new employee with the City Police.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly See have sold their home on the Ausable to Mr. and Mrs. George Munford of Detroit. Mrs. See handled the transaction for them. The Sees have left for Inverness, Fla., and will stay until the middle of March, then return here to their house until about May 15th, when the Munfords plan to take possession. The Sees expect to move to Florida permanently after that.

Clarence Robertson is spending Christmas with his brother Russell Robertson and wife in Marquette. Richard Klein of Okemos visited his brother Jim in Moorestown Wednesday night, and his parents the Robert Kleins on Thursday, and called on the Walter Mikesells, returning home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thornberg of Gaylord (the former Evelyn Bancroft) have a baby girl, Deborah Lynn, born December 4th weighing 7 lbs. Mrs. Doris Bancroft is her grandmother, and Mrs. Maggie Levertson her great grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hawkins were in Traverse City Saturday to enjoy a family Christmas party with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Stradinger. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hanson, Lola Bailey and Eva Schoonmaker, all of Manacoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trautman of Kalkaska, were all on hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Walmesley attended the funeral of his brother, Michael Walmesley, at Grace Funeral Home in Pontiac on Wednesday, December 16th. Burial was in Whitechapel Cemetery. Mr. Walmesley was 65. He is survived by his brother, and two sisters, Mrs. Iva Smith and Mrs. Edith Hartung, both of Pontiac. The Pat Walmesleys have purchased the home on Shellenger Street that was formerly Mrs. Calvin McEvers' property, and plan to move in next May.

A correction in the R.L.D.S. news of last week. Among the children baptised it was Andrew Huns instead of Edward. Also it was the children's Christmas worship at 7:30 p.m. on the 20th instead of workshop.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hoesli left Wednesday to spend some time in Arizona.

Alice Lozen and her mother and sister from Detroit have gone to spend some time at Deerfield Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Danny Shippe and son Richard have moved into one of the Welsh apartments.

ALL FAITHS CHAPEL RISES AT TRAVERSE

The arched trusses of the ALL FAITHS CHAPEL at the Traverse City State Hospital reach toward the Christmas constellation... the Star of the East. It has taken but three months since ground breaking for the Chapel on August 26 and ground clearing four days later, to make this progress in the construction of this long-awaited gift for the use of the patients at the Hospital... a gift of many generous and thoughtful people living in the 39 county service area of the Hospital and others interested in the welfare of the patients.

The laminated beams cut in and shipped from Oregon, and lost for three weeks during transportation, were found in Indianapolis and expedited to Traverse City. This caused some delay in construction after the completion of the first floors of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish Chapels. Wrapped for protection from the weather until they can be enclosed by the wooden roof decks, the arches appropriately for this Christmas season, guide your eyes toward the heavenly constellations in which the Star of the East shines at this time of the year. According to architect Gordon Cornwell (Traverse City), it will take about six weeks to erect the roof decks.

Merry Christmas

As lanterns glow with Christmas joy and greens disperse the scent of Christmas cheer, we wish you a Merry Yule.



Krumrei Beverage Distributors



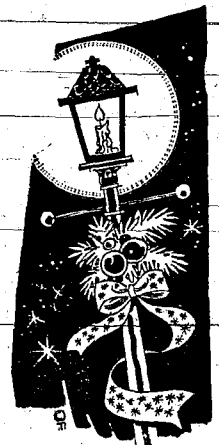
Merry Christmas

In keeping with the true spirit of the Christmas season, may we wish you and your family a happy holiday, filled with the many joys this very special day often brings.

NORTHEND SUNOCO

A Christmas Wish

We wish you all the best of holiday cheer... a Christmas bright with joy. Thanks to you our Christmas has been a happy one... serving you has been the greatest treat of all.



GRAYLING REEL CO., Inc.

A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS



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with goodies for

HOLIDAY FEASTING

KRAFT'S
MIRACLE WHIP QUART **49¢**

CHERRY
Pie Filling 2 cans 49¢

CHEF DELIGHT — 2 LB. BOX
Cheese Spread 49¢

Potato Chips lb. 59¢

Cream Cheese pkg. 10¢

CAKE MIX SWANS DOWN 2 FOR **49¢**

TRUEWORTH
Cranberry Sauce 2 - 39¢

PILLSBURY BUTTERMILK
Biscuits 3 for 25¢

CHOCOLATE CHIP
Cookies lb. 29¢

FROZEN
Strawberries 2 for 39¢

DONUTS GASE'S SUGARED OR PLAIN DOZ. **19¢**

PIES BANQUET Apple - Mince - Pumpkin Each **29¢**
Cherry - Peach

BREAD 5 for \$1.00

EGGS (Grade "A" Sml.) 3 doz. \$1.00

100% Filled Candy lb. 39¢

MIXED NUTS lb. 49¢

FRESH ROASTED PEANUTS 2 lbs. 65¢

MICHIGAN POTATOES 10 LBS. **59¢**

SEEDLESS
Grapefruit 5 for 49¢

RADISHES
ONIONS 2 for **19¢**
CUCUMBERS

BANANAS GOLDEN-RIPE LB. **10¢**

SWEET TANGERINES 3 DOZ. **\$1.00**

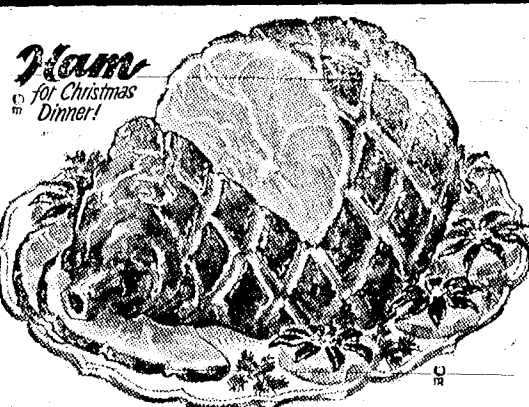
Whipping Cream pt. 29¢

EGG NOG qt. 59¢

"PORK LOIN SALE"

RIB ENDS
PORK ROAST
29¢ lb.

LEAN CENTER CUTS
PORK CHOPS
59¢ lb.



READY TO EAT
CANNED HAMS
5 lbs. \$3.95

Hickory Smoked -- Shank Half
Pre-Cooked HAMS
49¢ lb.

HICKORY SMOKED
SMOKED PICNICS LB. **29¢**

CHRISTMAS
SAUSAGE lb. 49¢

LADY KAY
FRANKS lb. 49¢

FRESH — LEAN
SIDE PORK LB. **29¢**

BLACK & WHITE MARKET

Grayling Bowling Leagues

AMERICAN LEAGUE Dec. 15, 1964		JUNIOR LEAGUE Girls' Division	
1 Baringer's	36	1 Five 8-Balls	22
2 Post Oil Co.	34 1/2	2 Alley Kats	19
3 Pyrofax Gas	34	3 Five Queens	11
4 Hanson Sporting Goods	33	4 Lazy Five	11
5 Hoerl's Decorating	29	5 Gutter Gussies	11
6 Uncle Al	29	6 Jupiters	10
7 Moose Club No. 2	28	Team high series: 8-Balls 1476,	
8 American Legion	28	Alley Kats 1350, Lazy Five 1240.	
9 Al & Jessie's Cafe	24	Team high single: 8-Balls 539,	
10 Sportsman's Club	24	Alley Kats 479, Five Queens 447.	
11 Jim's Canoe Livery	22	Ind. high series: L. Broecker 342,	
12 Moose Club No. 1	21	D. Latusek 343, C. Carlson 341.	
13 Glen's Market	20	Ind. high single: L. Broecker 133,	
14 Grayling Gulf Service	18 1/2	C. Carlson 132, S. Leas, D. Latusek 123.	
15 Michigan Consolidated	14	There will be no Junior bowling	
16 Bright's Furnace	11	Saturday, Dec. 26th. Schedule re-	
Team high series: Hanson's 2628,		sumes at regular times Jan. 2nd.	
Baringer's 2602, Hoerl's 2502.			
Team high single: Hanson's 941,			
Baringer's 918, Hoerl's 891.			
Ind. high series: Rowland 579,			
King 567, Madsen 566.			
Ind. high single: King 222, Weiss			
220, Hoerl 220.			

National League — 1st Div. December 17, 1964	
1 Grayling State Bank	37
2 Lee's Barber Shop	30
3 Jack Millikin Contractor	28
4 Blatz Beer	27
5 Ausable River Patrol	25
6 Wharf's Coffee House	24
7 Babst Beer	24
8 Spilke's Keg O'Nails	13
Team high series: Grayling	
Bank 2757, Blatz Beer 2727, Jack	
Millikin 2581.	
Team high single: Grayling Bank	
968 & 914, Jack Millikin's 894.	
Ind. high series: Madsen 685,	
Neal 595, Sawyer 556.	
Ind. high single: Madsen 259 &	
232, Neal 220.	

National League — 2nd Division Dec. 17, 1964	
1 Fuelgas Co.	31
2 Mac's Drugs	29 1/2
3 R. & H. Sport Shop	27
4 Triangle Motel	26
5 Grayling Pharmacy	24 1/2
6 Pure Oil	22
7 Welsh Motor Sales	18
8 Dick Dodge Chevrolet	14
Team high series: Fuelgas 2526,	
R. & H. 2394, Triangle Motel 2250.	
Ind. high single: Fuelgas 880,	
Triangle Motel 848, R. & H. 800.	
Ind. high series: Lovely 564,	
Quinn 539, Hildebrandt 533.	
Ind. high single: Meerdo 224,	
Quinn 216, Hildebrandt 196.	
Thursday night leagues will	
NOT resume schedule until Jan.	
7th, 2nd Div. at 7 o'clock.	

PIONEER LEAGUE December 21, 1964	
1 Avalanche	35
2 Sorenson Agency	35
3 Cornell Agency	33 1/2
4 Dawson's	30
5 Dad's Sport Shop	29
6 Pfeiffer's	25 1/2
7 Wayside Inn	19
8 Vita Boy	17
Team high series: Cornell Agency	
2532, Avalanche 2323, Pfeiffer's	
2322.	
Team high series: Cornell Agency	
688 & 810, Pfeiffer's 798, Ava-	
lanche 782.	
Ind. high series: J. Hoffman 568,	
B. Wells 559, T. Madsen 501.	
Ind. high single: B. Wells 205,	
J. Hoffman 203, T. Madsen 192.	

RECREATION LEAGUE December 16, 1964	
1 Modern Woodmen Ins.	34
2 Culligan	33 1/2
3 The Pink Lady	33
4 The Pioneer Room	33
5 Strohs	33
6 Olson's Shoes	27
7 Dick Dodge Chevrolet	26 1/2
8 Scott's Bar	26
9 Grayling State Bank	24
10 Marshall's Motel	24
11 Leonard Gas	22 1/2
12 Glen's Market	17 1/2
13 Blatz	16
14 Dingman's Tavern	14
Team high series: Pink Lady	
2251, Modern Woodmen 2230, Gray-	
ling State Bank 2189.	
Team high single: Pink Lady 820	
Strohs 785, Culligan's 756.	
Ind. high series: J. Hoffman 525,	
B. LaChappelle 519, G. Nielson 506,	
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Glen's 2078, Bennett's 2069.	
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Glen's 755, Bennett's 745.	
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P. Legg 493, M. Latusek 479.	
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2 The Cracker Jacks	6
3 The Neighbors	5
4 Fare Squares	5
5 Bob Lee's	4
6 The Sexy Six	4
7 Mixed Nuts	1
8 The Gassers	1
Team high series: Tumblers 1963	
Sexy Six 1877, Bob Lee's 1850.	
Team high single: Sexy Six 695,	
Bob Lee's 689, Tumblers 667.	
Ind. high series: J. Hoffman 494,	
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Woods 519, G. Sawyer 515, B. La-	
Motte Sr. 494.	
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CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the doctors and
Mercy Hospital staff for their care
and kindness and friends for their

Bits O' Talk

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lennert of Los
Angeles, Calif., spent a few days
with her parents, the Dewey Pal-
mers, last week.

Mrs. Matilda Bishop left Tuesday
for Grosse Ile to spend Christmas
with her sisters, planning to go
from there to Cleveland, Ohio, then
on to Deland, Florida, Tuscon,
Arizona, and Los Angeles, Calif.
to spend the winter months.

Miss Cathy Stripe is home from
Western Michigan U., Kalamazoo,
to spend the holidays with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph
Stripe.

A/2C Tove Jespersen is spend-
ing a fifteen-day Christmas leave
from Otis AFB, Cape Cod, with
her parents Pastor and Mrs. Har-
ris Jespersen. Their son Eilif Jes-
persen arrived on Sunday morn-
ing Dec. 20 from the University of
Minnesota, for a two week vaca-
tion, also at the Jespersen home.

Bill's Laundry will be closed
Christmas Day and December 26th,
also on New Year's Day and Janu-
ary 2nd.

George Blaha arrived home De-
cember 16th from Notre Dame
University, flying in to Traverse
City airport. His brother David
came home from Campion Jesuit
High School on the 21st, also flying
from Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin,
to Traverse City. They will spend
the time with their parents, Dr.
and Mrs. Vernon Blaha, until Janu-
ary 4th.

A group of around ten couples
gathered at the Fraser Deans' new
home in North Park subdivision
Saturday evening for a surprise
housewarming.

Sp/4 and Mrs. Richard McLeod
are spending Christmas with his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mc-
Leod and Jon.

Richard Souder is home from
Las Cruces, New Mexico, to visit
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry
Souder. They are all going to
Williamston to spend Thursday to
Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert
Knutilla and family, Dick return-
ing to his job from there.

JUST US CLUB

Mrs. Clement Blaine was host-
ess to the Just Us Club Tuesday
evening, December 15th, for their
Christmas Social meeting.

A Christmas tree was decorated
in the "Danish" motif. Secret-pals
were revealed and gifts exchanged.

Mrs. Blaine made little Santas,
"Jule-Nisse" and they held the
names of the secret pals for the
coming year.

Games were enjoyed for which
prizes were awarded.

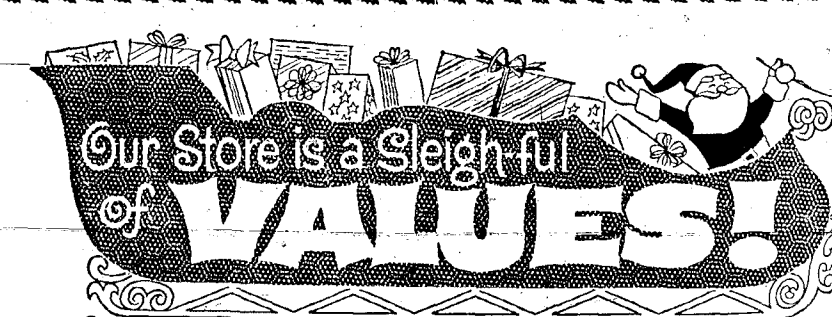
A lunch was served from a table
decorated with poinsettias and
tapers, to round out a happy even-
ing.

Hold Children's Christmas Services

The Sunday School of St John
Evangelical Lutheran Church had
a Christmas service at the regular
church hour on Sunday, December
20th. The service was under the
direction of Mrs. Harris Jespersen
who also presided at the organ.

Following the service the con-
gregation, gathered at Danebod Hall
where the children danced around a
Christmas Tree and sang carols in
the old custom. Refreshments of
sandwiches, Christmas cookies,
cake, coffee and milk were served.
The tables were gayly decorated
with garlands of Holly and tapers.
The mothers of the Sunday School
children were in charge of the
lunch.

Before leaving the children were
given sacks of candy and nuts.



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SECTION TWO

Thursday, December 24, 1964

GHS English Students' Win Honors; Have Original Essays Accepted

Grayling High School officials were notified last week that the original essays of four of the Sophomore English students have been accepted for publication by the National Essay Association. Billie Bovee, Nancy Dykema, Letty Neal, and Vickie Wells have received engraved certificates notifying them of the honors they have won in the national competition. Essays from all of the Grayling Sophomore English students were entered in the competition.

The National Essay Press of Los Angeles, California, will publish the young writers' work in an anthology entitled "YOUNG

AMERICA SPEAKS." The book, which will be printed this spring, will be made available to the

student writers, their instructor, and to the high school library. Each year the National Essay

Association has a nation-wide competition for student writers. Essays entered in the contest are limited to 150 words and must be a part of the regular class assignments. The purpose of the annual competition is to encourage high school students to develop their writing talents to the fullest. The annual publication gives the individual high school an opportunity to compare its effort with that of other schools of all sizes in the fifty states. The essays are judged by professors from some of California's higher institutions of learning. Grayling High School extends hearty congratulations to its successful student writers.

MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS FOR 1965

Floyd G. Millikin was installed as Worshipful Master of Grayling Lodge 356 F. and A. M. Saturday, December 12, 1964. Other officers installed were James C. Failing, Senior Warden; Herbert W. Wheeler, Junior Warden; Harvey J. Rowland, Past Master; Treasurer; John L. Martin, Past Master, Secretary; Hurl Deckrow, Past Master, Chaplain; Alfred D. Sorenson, Senior Deacon; Jerome M. Heska, Junior Deacon; LeRoy H. Papendick, Dewain A. Hall and Rex W.

McMillen, Stewards; Patrick E. Harwood, Tyler; Past Master J. Lorne Douglas of Ancient Landmarks, Lodge 303 of Saginaw, was the Installing Officer assisted by Past Master Earl R. Burns, Installing Chaplain; Past Master, Arthur G. Clough, Installing Secretary; and Past Master, Forrest G. Annis, Installing Marshal with Mrs. Annis, Installing Organist. A banquet was served by the ladies of the O. E. S. preceding the installation.

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Sunday Masses at 6:30, 8:30 and 10:30 a. m.
Holy Days — 6:30 and 9:30 a. m. and 5:00 p. m.
Week days at 11:15 a. m.
Deer Hunting Season
Sunday Masses, 5:00, 8:30 and 10:30 a. m.
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Saturday — 4 to 5 p. m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.
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Worship service 11 a. m.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.
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Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Corner Plum and Smith St.
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Church School — 10:00 A. M.
Preaching — 11 a. m. & 7:30 p. m.
Mid-week service, Prayer 7:30 p. m.

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7:30 Evening Service
Wednesday —
7:30 Prayer and Bible Study

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Divine Service 11:00 A. M.
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

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Gaylord, South
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Divine Service 10:30 a. m.

HISTORY OF JACK PINE - CRAWFORD COUNTY POST OFFICE

By David C. Colyer

Jack Pine or Eldorado - both are one and the same - first popped in to view up in the green pine woods of northeastern lower Michigan on a cold winter's day in 1885. Jack Pine was the second attempt within a period of three years to establish a post office for the people living in Ball Township, down in the southeast corner of Crawford County. The first attempt was hopefully named Faith, which saw the light of day on September 5, 1882. The post office was located in the home of Charles M. Jackson, on section 14, with Samuel H. Miller being appointed as the first postmaster. Such importance was attached to the success of the office that an article concerning its establishment was carried in the county newspaper the "Crawford Avalanche", on October 5, 1882. The business of this tiny post office must have been very discouraging for Mr. Miller, after only fifteen weeks in office, resigned, and Mr. Jackson was appointed postmaster on December 15, 1882. The success of Faith, however, was not to be, for on May 3, 1883, after only eight months of life, this tiny backwoods post office died.

To the residents of Ball Township the failure of the post office at Faith forced them to go over to Luzerne, some ten miles to the east in Oscoda County; or down almost fifteen miles to the southwest to Roscommon in Roscommon County to get their mail. To the modern residents of this area it might seem odd to get so exercised over mail service. With a car and paved roads its only a short ride to either town. But, this was 1883, not 1964. There were no automobiles, no paved roads, in fact there were no roads at all - just tracks through the woods. In the summer, one rode a horse or walked. In the winter, if the snow wasn't too deep, a horse-drawn sled or a yoke of oxen could be used. But, if the snow was deep and it often was in those days, a person would have to snowshoe into town. Luzerne and Roscommon were just too far away. It would take nearly half a day to go to Luzerne and back. Roscommon would eat up almost a whole day. True enough, mail only came up once a week on the Mackinac Division of the Michigan Central Railroad from Wrenona (now part of Bay City) to Roscommon. Many people, however, did not have a horse to get to town on and the stage that ran once a week from Roscommon to Luzerne cost one dollar; a dollar went a long way in 1883.

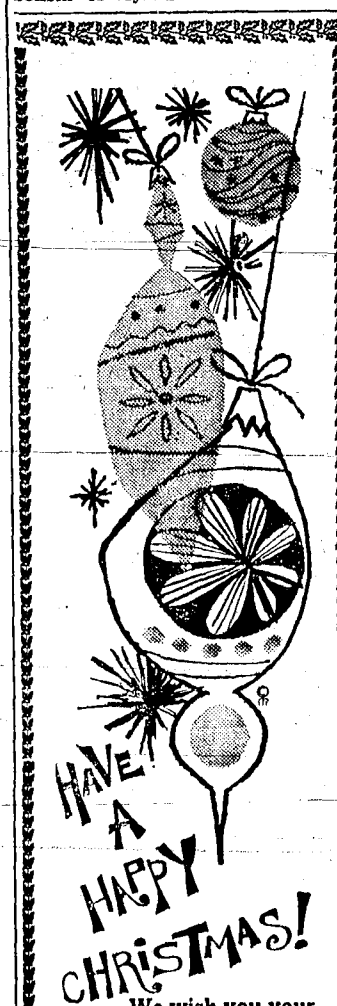
The citizens of Ball Township were determined to have adequate mail service, so on February 25, 1885 a new post office with the name of Jack Pine was established.

Cannon Welcomed Russian New Year

In pre-revolutionary Russia, booming cannon welcomed in the New Year and the evening of December 31, known as St. Sylvester's Eve, was cause for great fun and enjoyment.

It was custom for Russian boys to go from house to house encouraging everyone across the gulf from past to present. While so doing, they scattered oats and other grains in petition for a bountiful harvest.

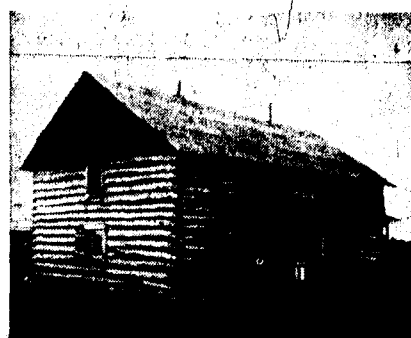
A mythical symbol was Ovesen, pictured astride a bear, symbolically associated with pork served for New Year dinner and the symbolism of Ayrar descent.



We wish you your merriest Christmas, and a holiday season filled with cheer.

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Dr. J. F. Cook
Dr. Paul Juntilla



Pictured above, right, is William Edwards, Jack Pine's first Postmaster from a photo taken about 1890. (Courtesy of Mrs. Byron Barber). Pictured, left, above is the building in which the first Jack Pine Post Office was located. The photo was taken about 1930. (Courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd M. Osworth).



ed. Jack Pine took its name from the Jackpine trees that covered much of southeastern Crawford County. The new postmaster was William Edwards who had been born in England about 1828 and had come to America as a young man. Not very much is known about Mr. Edwards early years except that he lived, at one time, in Sioux City, Woodbury County, Iowa. On November 18, 1864, Mr. Edwards enlisted at Sioux City in Company D of the 8th Iowa Infantry. He must have seen some action, for on November 17, 1865 Mr. Edwards was mustered out of the army at Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama.

For some unknown reason Mr. Edwards decided to settle in northern Michigan and on December 18, 1882 he purchased 160 acres of land on section 10 (SW 1/4 & SE 1/4) of Ball Township, Crawford County from Henry Ball for \$600. Mr. Ball, a saloon keeper in Roscommon, had received this same land from the United States Government, by patent, on June 1, 1882. Land records show that Mr. Ball owned several tracts of land which he had received from the federal government and later resold at a profit.

Soon after Mr. Edwards bought his property he built the log house you see in the photograph. The front porch was added many years later by other owners, but, for the most part, the old building looks much the same as when Mr. Edwards lived there so long ago. Inside, the house had one big room and going part way across this room, starting near the left hand side of the front door, was a home-made set of boxes in which Mr. Edwards sorted the mail. Whether or not he ever rented any of these as call boxes is now only speculation. Mr. Edwards cleared about ten acres of his 160 and had a large garden. Due to the loss of a limb in the war Mr. Edwards lived largely on his pension of \$90 a month and his commissions on stamps cancelled at the post office. (Prior to June 1, 1944 all fourth class postmasters were paid commissions on stamps cancelled at their offices. 100% of the first \$50 or less, 60% of the next \$100 or less, 50% of the next \$200 or less, and 40% on the excess above \$350. Accounts and payments were rendered quarterly. The percentages and amounts varied somewhat over the years and the postmaster paid himself out of the cash box each quarter; no checks in those days. If a postmaster's compensation went over \$250 per quarter then he would go into third class, in as much as the lowest salary for a third class postmaster was \$1,000 a year).

When Jack Pine was established mail was carried on the weekly stage that ran between Roscommon and Luzerne. Luzerne was established as a post office on November 4, 1881 and the stage was the special supply mail carrier. As the mail load increased the Post Office Department decided to establish a regular mail route between Roscommon, Luzerne, and Mio. On July 1, 1887 Star Route Number 24427 was started. The route to be traveled was from Mio, Harmon (Ryno), Luzerne, Jack Pine, and Roscommon. 35.5 miles and back, twice a week. The contractor was W. L. Argue of Washington, D. C.,

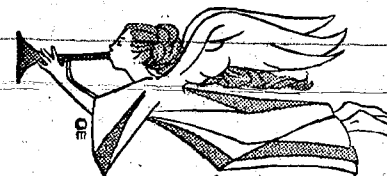
For those of you who are wondering why a person in Washington or Petoskey would have a mail contract between Roscommon and Mio it is simply this: Many men made a good living out of having mail contracts in various places all over the country. The object being that if you had enough bids out you could undersell your competitor and even after paying your driver's wages, you still had enough to make a comfortable living.

Mr. Edwards stayed in office long enough to make sure that the residents of Ball Township would have a post office of their own. After thirteen years as postmaster the infirmities of advancing years began to catch up with him, and on May 16, 1898 Mr. Edwards retired from office. Mr. Edwards and his wife left Jack Pine and went to live with their daughter Mrs. James W. Gallimore near Roscommon. On May 28, 1900 William Edwards died at the Gallimore home and was buried in Higgins Township Cemetery, Higgins Township, Roscommon County, Michigan.

Mr. Edwards' property was sold by his heirs on November 25, 1916 to Orlando F. Barnes for \$500. Mr. Barnes was the founder of the famous South Branch Ranch, only in Mr. Barnes time it was cattle rather than horses that were of chief interest. Mr. Barnes, in turn, on September 14, 1931, sold what had been the old Edwards place back to the United States Government from whom Henry Ball had received it nearly half a century before. The log house remained vacant for many years and finally fell into ruin. About 1917 Mansel F. Come purchased the old log house and moved it over onto section 13, about two miles east of its original location. In 1929 Lloyd and Mabel Osworth, from Pontiac, bought the house from the Comes and have made the old place into a home Mr. Edwards would have been very proud of.

(more to come)

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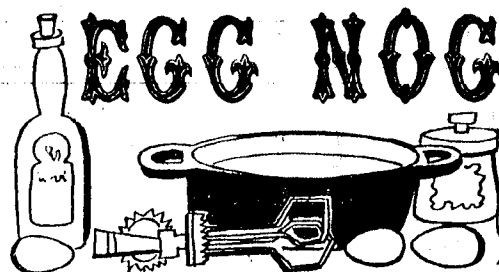
Christmas in Turkey is a three-day festival. Christian Turks observe the season by visiting and entertaining and coffee, sweetmeats, fruit and sometimes sour milk are holiday treats.

REJOICE

May it be a joyous Christmas for everybody.



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Eggnog's popularity is such that at Christmas and New Year's, the drink can be found in nearly every average American home.

It is generally believed that Eggnog came to us from the Old English sack-posset, a hot drink which contains the same ingredients — milk, eggs, sugar and nutmeg. No one really knows who invented Eggnog. Researchers just say that it goes 'way, way back and like Topsy it 'grewed and grewed.

The flavorful taste of Eggnog is not the only reason for the drink's popularity. Eggnog is easy to make, it goes a long way, and it allows the hostess to have as much fun as anybody else without having to worry about the guests. Eggnog is a serve-yourself drink, and most folks seem to prefer to fill their cup themselves.

Eggnog is flexible. That is, you can make a lot of it in one batch if you've got a large enough punch bowl and your refrigerator is particularly spacious. On the other hand, Eggnog can be made in smaller quantities — which are equally delightful and flavorsome.

A typical recipe would include:

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 6 eggs, separated | 2 cups milk |
| 1/2 cup sugar | 1/4 teaspoon salt |
| 2 cups light or whipping cream | 2 teaspoons vanilla |
| | Freshly ground nutmeg |

Beat egg yolks and sugar until thick and lemon-colored. Beat in cream, milk, salt, and vanilla. Beat egg whites until they hold stiff peaks; fold into egg yolk mixture. Served in chilled punch bowl; sprinkle with nutmeg. (Makes 2 1/2 quarts.)

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Red & Green FOR CHRISTMAS

Time goes on and on, yet red and green continue as the most popular colors of Christmas. One can find no legendary or historical reason, and many assume that it has something to do with the green holly with its red berries. On the other hand, it just may be that these bright colors are so popular because they are the brightest of shades.

More and more other colors, particularly dark blue, white or silver and red gold are being used for holiday decorations, it's true. Yet, they have a long way to go before they threaten the popularity of red and green.

SWISS TREAT

A special holiday treat for the Swiss is "birewegge", a pear cake which contains a spicy, flavorful concentrate from air-dried pears mixed with raisins and resembling a shiny loaf of bread. Also traditional is a Christmas cookie, the "Tirgget", said to have originated as an early German sacrificial cake.

HOLIDAY STAINS

How do you remove Christmas stains? The best trick to remember is to work fast. Don't let the stain set in the fabric. Even a short delay can be disastrous.

Following are directions for treating washable fabrics to remove the stains you will most probably encounter during the holidays.

Ballpoint ink — use carbon tetrachloride to remove the stains. Soak in warm soap or detergent suds, then wash and rinse in clear water. If discoloration remains on white or bleached material, use a mild bleach and launder again.

Candle wax — scrape off excess wax with a table knife. Place stained spot between blotters (white) and press with hot iron. Then rub spot gently with turpentine and wash in warm suds.

Glue — soak in warm suds until dissolved; then launder in fresh warm suds.

Chocolate or cocoa — wash in hot suds. Treat any remaining stain with a weak solution of household bleach or hydrogen peroxide and launder again in hot suds.

Meat juices — soak in cool water; then wash in hot suds. Gravy and white sauce — soak in cool water then wash in hot suds.

Paint — if fresh, use lots of suds. Otherwise, apply turpentine or kerosene and then wash in hot suds.

Alcoholic beverages — soak or sponge with cool water promptly; then wash in warm suds.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND
The first Christmas in England is believed to have been observed in the year 521, at the time King Arthur was celebrating his victory marking the recapture of York. Guests, including the national heroes, were gathered about the famous Round Table where they feasted to the music of wandering minstrels.

Crawford County Avalanche
Thursday, December 24, 1964

Palm Tree Favorite In Southern Lands

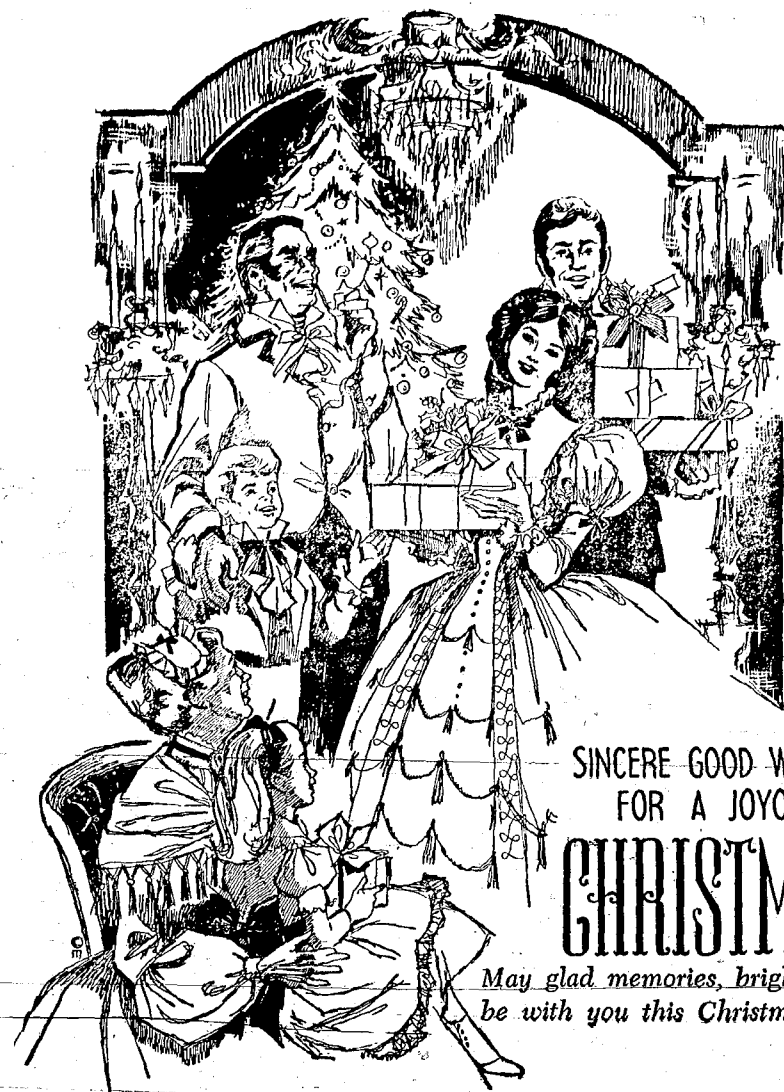
The palm is a favorite for yuletide decorating in southern climes. In this respect many Southerners are quick to point out that palm was the common tree, not the pine, in Bethlehem where Christ was born.

Palm trees are lighted and decorated in much the same manner that Northerners light their outdoor spruces and pines. To avoid damage and accidents lights are usually strung under the midrib of each palm frond, and stars and other ornaments are not attached to new tips or unopened center buds.



We're joining Santa's reindeer in greeting all our friends and extending to them our warmest wishes for a very

**Merry Christmas
L. & L. Donut
Shop**



SINCERE GOOD WISHES
FOR A JOYOUS
CHRISTMAS

May glad memories, bright hopes
be with you this Christmas time.

GRAYLING LUMBER AND SUPPLY CO.

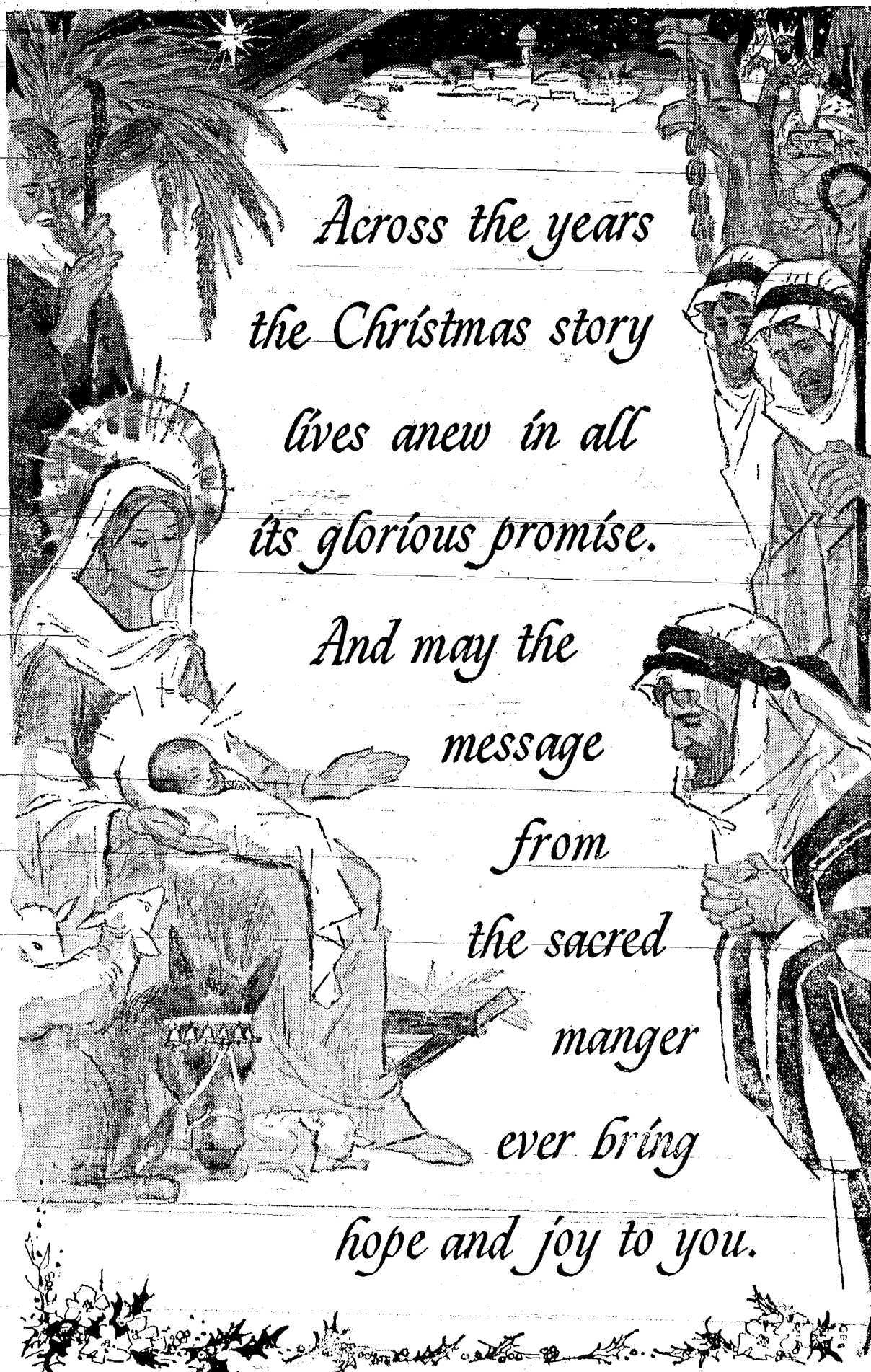
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

There's no season quite like Christmas... no custom quite so happy as the old tradition of exchanging greetings. With real appreciation for our cordial relations, we thank you and wish you a most joyful holiday.



*Across the years
the Christmas story
lives anew in all
its glorious promise.*

*And may the
message
from
the sacred
manger
ever bring
hope and joy to you.*

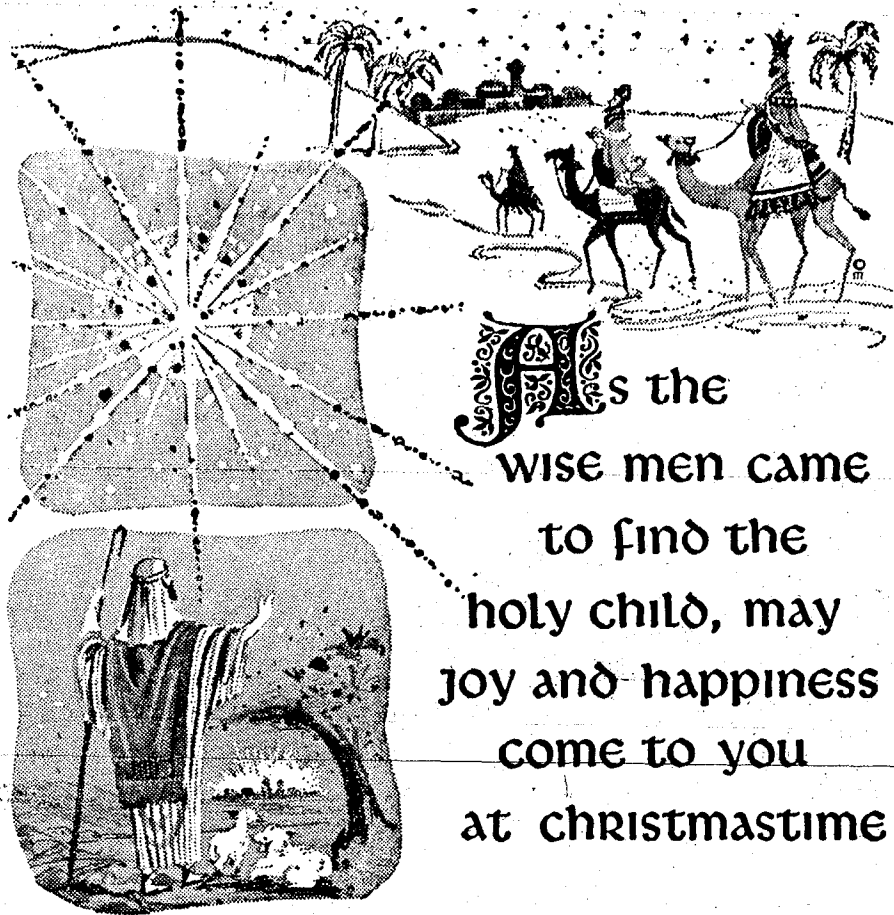


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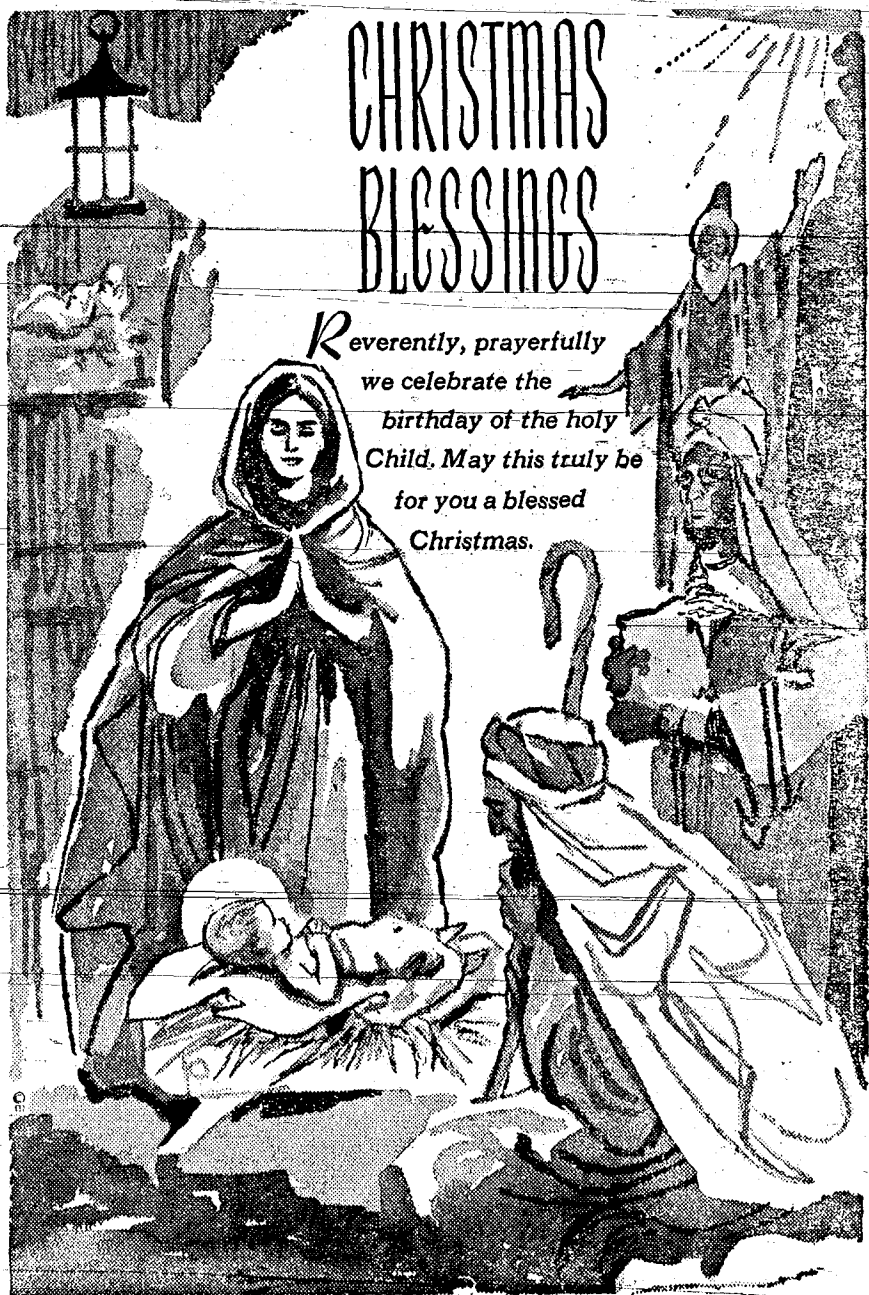
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"THE REXALL STORE"
PHONE 242-2181



As the
wise men came
to find the
holy child, may
joy and happiness
come to you
at christmastime

FUELGAS COMPANY, Inc.



CHRISTMAS
BLESSINGS

Reverently, prayerfully
we celebrate the
birthday of the holy
Child. May this truly be
for you a blessed
Christmas.

THE GRAYLING INSURANCE AGENCY
MELVIN K. NIELSON, Owner

Joy
to the
World!

Let us hold in our
hearts the happiness
of that first
Christmas when a Babe
in a manger brought joy
to a waiting world.



BEAR ARCHERY COMPANY

New Medical Facility Delayed

PLANNED DELAY

Michigan will wait at least another year before a new medical facility is started.

John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State University, recently announced that that institution would not begin a two year medical science program next fall as originally planned. The opening date is not definitely set.

The MSU decision will meet with approval of the Michigan Coordinating Council for Higher Education. Council members, including MSU, agree that the state's existing medical schools should be raised to planned size before a third is established.

Although MSU's present plans are for an Institute of Biology and Medicine, within which the College of Human Medicine will offer two years of training, it could easily be developed into a full-fledged college of medicine.

There were three reasons for the MSU delay. First, the building program dropped substantially behind, mostly due to union-management differences beyond the control of the university.

Secondly, the administration does not at this point have the top notch instructors they want to teach the technical courses. Teaching staff is a problem for the medical profession, and it was recently stated that there are 800 openings in the nation for medical instructors.

A third problem which was not completely solved involves the relationship between the Institute and local hospitals. The medical accrediting committee recommended that this understanding be well formulated before students were enrolled for courses.

It will be difficult for U-M to increase enrollment of its medical school without losing much of the training that is important to doctors, according to Dean William N. Hubbard, Jr. Wayne University shows promise of enrolling perhaps 70 more students per year.

If, as anticipated, the need for doctors grows more rapidly than this supply, the people of Michigan have an investment in MSU's Institute of Biology and Medicine that can quickly be developed into a first class source of fully trained M.D.s.

16% UNSAFE

A big push can be expected in the 1963 legislative session to require periodic safety checks of all Michigan motor vehicles.

Safety check bills have been introduced for several years in succession without success, but next year may be the exception.

The continually mounting highway traffic death toll will certainly be one factor in this consideration but another major factor may be the latest national survey on the matter.

One vehicle in six in use today is unsafe to some degree, a study by the Auto Industry Highway Safety Committee indicates.

Of nearly three million vehicles checked on a voluntary basis in the study, more than 44,000 had "rejectable items" such as rear front lights or signals, brakes, tires, steering or exhaust system.

Projecting this to the more than 84 million registered vehicles on the nation's highways, the study means more than 14 million unsafe cars and trucks are in use. Some Michigan officials feel the figure would be even higher since this study was a voluntary one rather than a true sample test.

Nineteen states now require periodic motor vehicles safety inspections.

WINTER HAZARDS

War must be declared, says State Health Commissioner Dr. Albert E. Heustis.

The war Heustis speaks of has no relation to international affairs, however. It is a limited war on the home front against carbon monoxide poisoning.

"An intensive educational campaign with constant repetition is the only way to prevent the annual toll of utterly needless deaths from carbon monoxide poisoning," he said.

Already this year several persons have been found dead in cars parked with the windows closed, the ignition on, gas tank empty and battery dead. The scene will unfortunately be repeated several more times during the cold season. Carbon monoxide deaths, in cars

THE FIRST GIFTS

Gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the first Christmas gifts, represented the most precious items of the day. Only the best was considered a suitable gift for a king, and the Wise Men had traveled far to pay their respect to the newborn infant.

The Wise Men were kings themselves—and they could afford expensive gifts. In modern-day gift giving, we should not place emphasis on the cost of the gifts we give. It is the spirit of giving that is important and that is appreciated. This can be readily understood when we note that the simple presents of the shepherds were appreciated as much as the valuable gifts of the three kings.

and homes, occur at all times of the year but the majority happen in the winter, Heustis said.

Because carbon monoxide has no odor, it is known as the "silent killer."

"If everyone recognized that carbon monoxide is present whenever there is combustion, whether it's a campfire, gas refrigerator, furnace, or automobile engine, and that to protect against it merely requires adequate ventilation, we could eliminate most of the accidental exposures," said the commissioner.



GREETINGS

May your holiday
be a happy and holy one.

GRAYLING
Electric and
Heating

Christmas in Bethlehem was Far Different

Americans who dream of a white Christmas with Santa Claus popping down the chimney to the tune of "Jingle Bells" can thank assorted writers and poets and the northern climate. Christmas in the land of Christ's birth, however, is a rather matter.

What is Christmas like in Bethlehem?

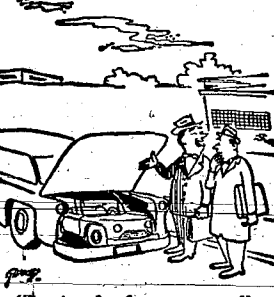
There's generally no snow, for one thing, for winters are mild in the Judean Hills around Bethlehem, reports World Book Encyclopedia. No Santa Claus listens to children's pleas, for he's an American invention based on a European saint. And there's probably no decorated Christmas tree in the village square; that custom originated in Germany.

Instead, the focal point of Christmas in Bethlehem is the Church of St. Mary of the Nativity, supposedly built over the spot where Jesus was born. Here pilgrims from all over the world gather on Christmas Eve. First there is carol-singing in the square facing the church. Then all enter for the solemn midnight mass. After the service, an image of Christ is carried in a procession down into the grotto, and is placed in a manger where it lies until January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany.

After this ceremony, some may wander into the fields outside the town, where perhaps shepherds long ago heard the news of the birth of Christ.

All this takes place, of course, on the eve of December 25. But that's not the end of Christmas in Bethlehem. For the Eastern Orthodox churches celebrate the holiday on January 6, and the Armenians observe it on January 18, which is January 6 according to the old style, or Julian calendar.

My Neighbors



"Instead of a spare."



Greetings

Here's to a holiday
merry and bright, with
bells ringing, carol
singing, greetings
and treatings, gifts
and gladness galore.

And here's to you! We
sincerely wish you
the season's best, and
gratefully express our
appreciation for your
friendly patronage.

AU SABLE HOTEL

1111 N. Main St., Port Huron

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With grateful thanks to our friends
for the pleasure and privilege of serving you.

CHARLES FICK
STANDARD OIL AGENT



GREETINGS

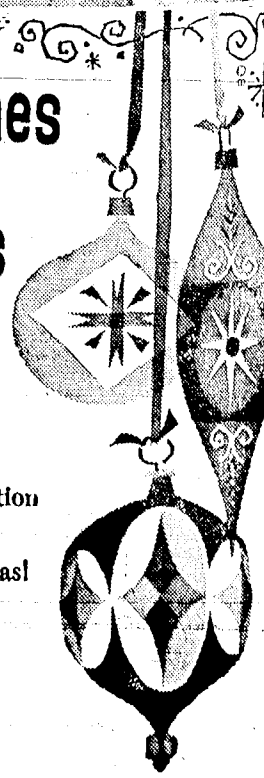
As Christmas comes to
you this year, we warmly wish
that it may bring a holy meaning
ever deeper, hopes ever brighter, and
joyous blessings ever richer.

CHARLES W. MOSHIER
PONTIAC SALES & SERVICE



Good Wishes
FOR
Christmas

'T is the season
when we pause
to say "Thanks" to
you, our friends, for
our pleasant association
during this past
year. Merry Christmas!



TIP TOP TOGS

We will be closed during the holidays. Re-opening on Monday morning, January 4th.

EARLY CARDS BORE FAMILIAR MESSAGE

Christmas cards were not very popular for some two decades after they first appeared in England, in the 1840's.

Very little is known of the earliest cards, except for two primitive prototypes found in the British Museum. These two bear the same message of peace and good will, which hasn't been improved upon, even in the modern cards we favor today.



MAY THIS MERRY HOLIDAY SEASON BRING YOU A STOCKING FULL OF STRIKES AND ENOUGH SPARES TO COVER THE SPACE UNDER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE.

IS THE WISH OF . . .

GRAYLING POST 106 AMERICAN LEGION

Operator's of Grayling's Community Bowling Alleys



GREETINGS

Glad tidings to all and our warmest wishes for the happiest of holidays. Please accept our sincerest thanks for your friendliness and patronage this past year. It has been a pleasure to serve you.

ROCHETTE

SHELL SERVICE & PARTY STORE



SAVE NOW . . . FOR NEXT YEAR!

Have you ever stopped to think at Christmas time each year, how much money you'd have by having saved just a few pennies a day throughout the year? Join our Christmas Club now and be ready for next Christmas!

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School Board Minutes

Grayling School District 1 November 9, 1964

President William Joseph called the regular meeting of Grayling School District No. 1 board of education to order on November 9, 1964, at 8 p. m. in the home making room at the high school. Present were Supt. Stripe, trustees Bishop, Henig, Joseph, Millikin, Smock, Thompson and Strong, Donald Jansen representing the P-TA and Mrs. Vernon Gardiner, Mrs. B. E. Henig, Mrs. Eli Beery and Mrs. Richard DuBois of the noon lunch program committee.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Gardiner read a letter listing the recommendations of the lunch committee. Moved by Henig supported by Millikin that Mrs.



MAKING MUSIC . . . Musical toys come in all shapes and sizes. Pretty young lady shown above is surrounded by four which feature favorite TV and movie cartoon characters, make music at the turn of a crank.

GIFT TIP

For a new, unique lady's gift, buy a large plastic-covered dish and fill it with cotton powder puffs. Decorate the cover of the dish with a pattern of shells or fish scales dyed pastel colors.

Leonard Knibbs be hired to supervise the lunch program and with the lunch committee was to meet with James L. Borough, Chief of the School Lunch Division of the Dept. of Public Instruction on November 10th. Motion carried. Mr. Jansen announced that members of the P-TA would help supervise the little children during noon hour should the manager so desire. He asked if there was money available for playground equipment at the new school. There being none at press nt he asked if the P-TA could assist with the purchase of some. The Supt. announced help would be welcomed and the elementary teachers should work out a plan and recommend procedure.

Mr. Stripe presented a list of students who had received scholarships in 1963-64. The board felt that not enough students are taking advantage of scholarships.

The pay of drivers Corliss Stampfly and Andie Nelson was raised fifty cents per day because of longer bus routes on motion of Thompson supported by Smock. All ayes.

Moved by Strong supported by Thompson the old Kindergarten chairs and tables be given to the library. Motion carried.

The board decided to place the dedication plaque inside the elementary building.

A letter was read from Hardin Sweeney concerning mementos for the alumni room. The secretary was instructed to answer the letter and turn it over to the alumni association, which has jurisdiction over the room.

A magic square was discussed, this being a black-topped area 120 feet square on which all games, with the exception of baseball, can be played and is so constructed that flooding for a skating rink is possible for winter use. \$12,000 is an approximate cost.

The Superintendent announced that Byron Randolph and Vernon Gardiner had begun painting in the

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high school; Janice Gorney was employed part time in the high school office; the school library is to be open during the noon hour with a student librarian in charge; Michigan Consolidated Gas Company will furnish the school with two new stoves and a gas dryer, the school to purchase an electric washer; a temporary bell is being used at the high school, a new one to be placed in the ventilating system; there is to be a M.A.S.E. meeting at Houghton Lake December 2nd at 3:00 p.m.; the 1963 vocational act will help with funds to purchase office practice equipment; bids are being let for a TV antenna at the elementary school for which Mr. Stripe was authorized to hire the lowest bidder.

Other matters discussed were airvents and painting of gym overhang; bill for new teacher dinners; student banking for senior trip fund; outside lights at elementary school (Mr. Stripe was instructed to get prices for underground wiring); open house at the high school; band uniforms; student policies and students misbehaving on the buses. Transportation can be denied to these students.

Moved by Smock, supported by Bishop, bills 4744 through 4782 in the amount of \$26,637.70 be approved as read. Motion carried.

The agenda showed a true balance in the general fund on October 30, 1964, of \$16,804.57; in the debt retirement fund \$19,150.75; in the building and site fund \$119,000.00 in the savings account and \$789.90 in the checking account, totaling \$119,789.90; and \$113.87 in the hot lunch fund.

Moved by Smock, supported by Bishop, meeting adjourn 10:35 p.m.

E. Strong, Recording Sec'y



a joyful christmas

Let us lift up our voices and sing out glad tidings for all to hear, in the spirit of the first Christmas.

Jack Millikin Construction Co.

Always In Hot Water with

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Wishing you all the joys and blessings of Christmas.



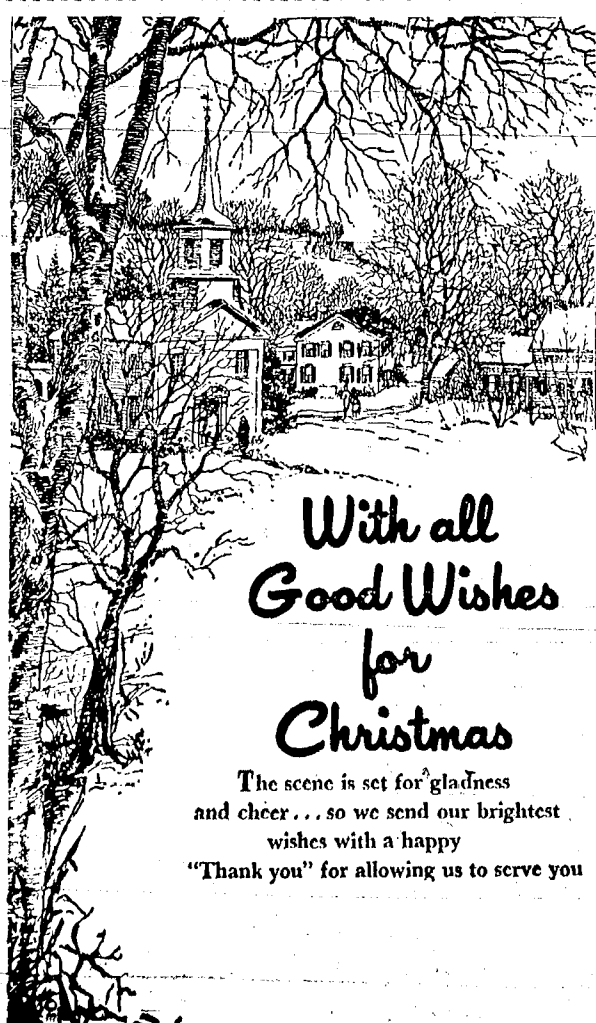
MARGE'S Beauty Salon



Peace . . . May abiding peace be yours.

Flowers by Josie

JOSEPHINE McEVERS PHONE: 348-4006



With all Good Wishes for Christmas

The scene is set for gladness and cheer . . . so we send our brightest wishes with a happy "Thank you" for allowing us to serve you

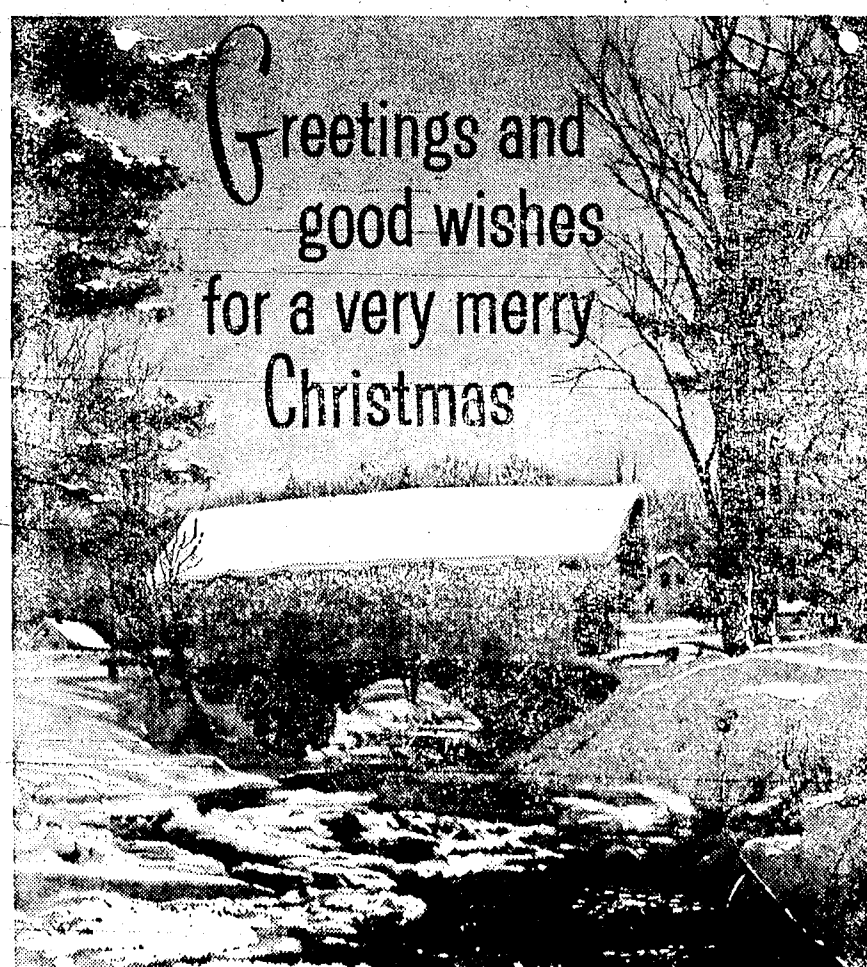
MARSEN CASH LUMBER YARD



Sincere Good Wishes

We take this opportunity to extend heartfelt thanks to all our friends and patrons. It is our sincerest wish that each and every one enjoy the very merriest Christmas and a holiday season filled with good cheer.

CLAIR'S STANDARD SERVICE



Greetings and good wishes for a very merry Christmas

in life's journey, one of the great rewards is the good will of our friends. We thank you heartily and wish you a most Merry Christmas.

Sorenson Agency and Associates, Inc.



MERRY
Christmas

We welcome the glad Christmas season
and all the heartfelt joys it brings.
We welcome, too, the opportunity to pause in the midst of our daily
occupations to recall anew how fortunate we are to have the favors
and friendship of our valued customers. To all of you, we offer our
real appreciation and our best wishes for your holiday enjoyment.

Art Clough
"REAL ESTATE"

WHITE CHRISTMAS

Snow scenes are traditional
greeting card subjects and many
times before the holiday arrives
we overhear someone express
the hope that it will be a "White
Christmas."

It is almost certain, however,
that there was no snow in Beth-
lehem on the night that Christ
was born. If anything, there
could have been rain, as Decem-
ber 25 falls in the midst of the
rainy season in Bethlehem.



To all our
friends,
best holiday
wishes.

We extend
our grateful
thanks for
your friendship
and good will.

CORNELL'S
INSURANCE
AGENCY
Bea and Willard



FUN FOR ALL . . . Strat-
egy games offer fun for old
and young alike and most on
the market are designed to
provide pleasure for players
from age 6 to adult.

The Good Witch Visits Italy's Young

It is on January 6, the Feast
of the Epiphany, and not on
Christmas Eve that Italian chil-
dren place their shoes by the
fireplace. The shoes are placed in
anticipation of the arrival of
"Befana," the good witch, who
comes down the chimney on a
broom to fill the shoes left out
for her — sweets for the good
youngsters, coal in the shoes of
the naughty.

Tips To Guide Selection Of Best Holiday Tree

What species of evergreen is
best for use as a Christmas tree?
Here are some facts about the
most common species which may
be helpful in selecting the right
tree for your home.

Balsam fir — once the most
commonly used, is now relatively
scarce. It has short, flat, dark
green needles attached to oppo-
site sides of the limbs in a feath-
er-like arrangement.

Top Tree
Douglas fir — the top commer-
cial tree. It has blue-green or
dark yellow-green needles, soft
and pliable, attached all the way
around the limbs, giving it a
bushy, full appearance.

Scotch pine — long needled
variety. It has needles which are
arranged in clusters on the
branches. It holds its needles ex-
ceptionally well.

Black spruce — a hardy tree,
but has a dark, un-Christmasy
color. It is widely used for dyed
and treated trees.

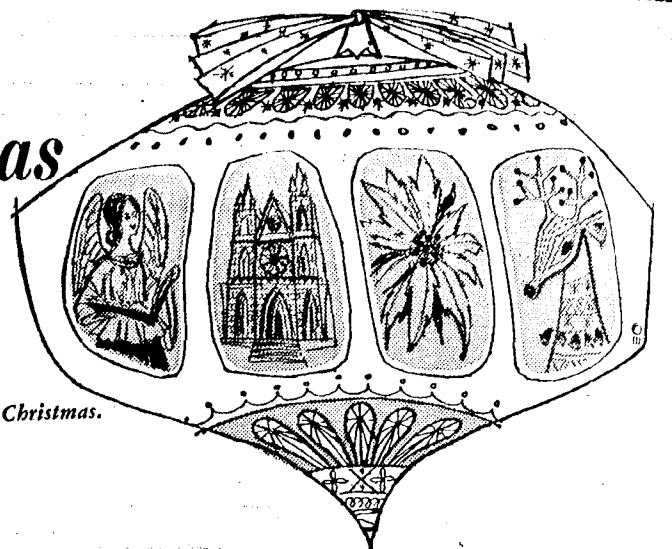
White spruce — another hardy,
attractive tree, but unfortunately
it gives off an unpleasant odor.
Some things to look for in se-
lecting a tree: retention of
needles; full symmetrical shape;
limbs without sagging; fragrant
odor; spiny branches.

CHRISTMAS "FISH"

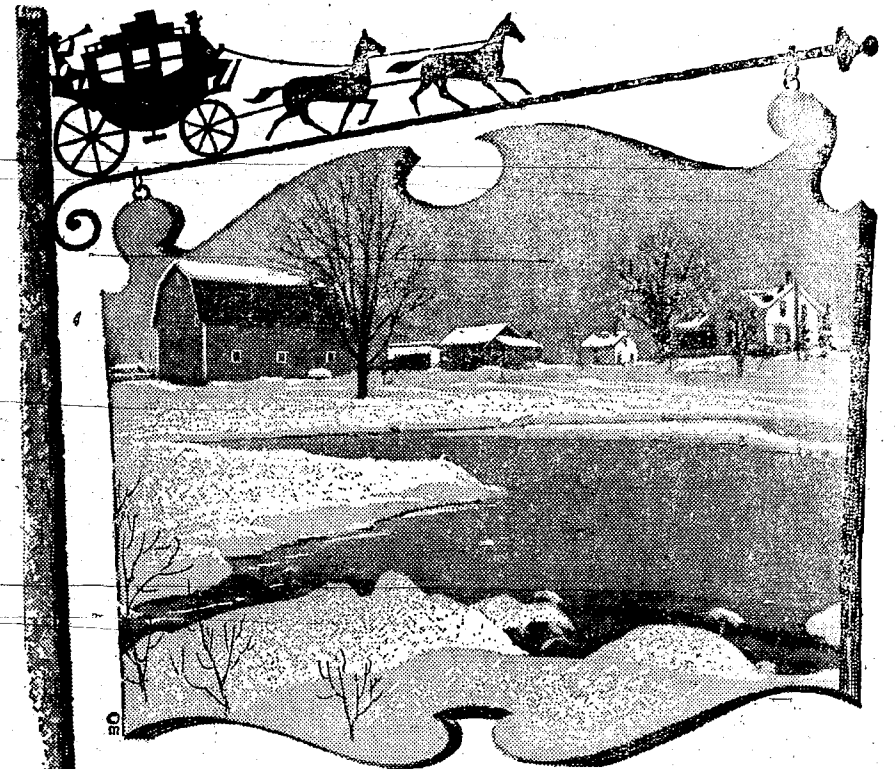
In Newfoundland it is custom-
ary for the folks to "fish for the
church" during Christmas week.
They bring their catch to be sold
for the local parish.

*Sincere
Christmas
Wishes*

Our heartiest
greetings to
all our friends and
neighbors. May you
enjoy a very Merry Christmas.



WEAVER'S MARINE SALES



**CHRISTMAS
GREETINGS**

As an expression of our thanks and good will, we extend
to friends, old and new, our best wishes for a
joyous Christmas and a holiday season filled with good cheer.

BARINGER'S "THE NORTH'S FINEST"



WISHING ALL OUR
FRIENDS SINCERE AND
HEARTY GREETINGS FOR

CHRISTMAS

AND EXPRESSING

OUR GRATITUDE FOR

THE WONDERFUL YEAR

THEY HAVE GIVEN US.



Dawson's



GREETINGS

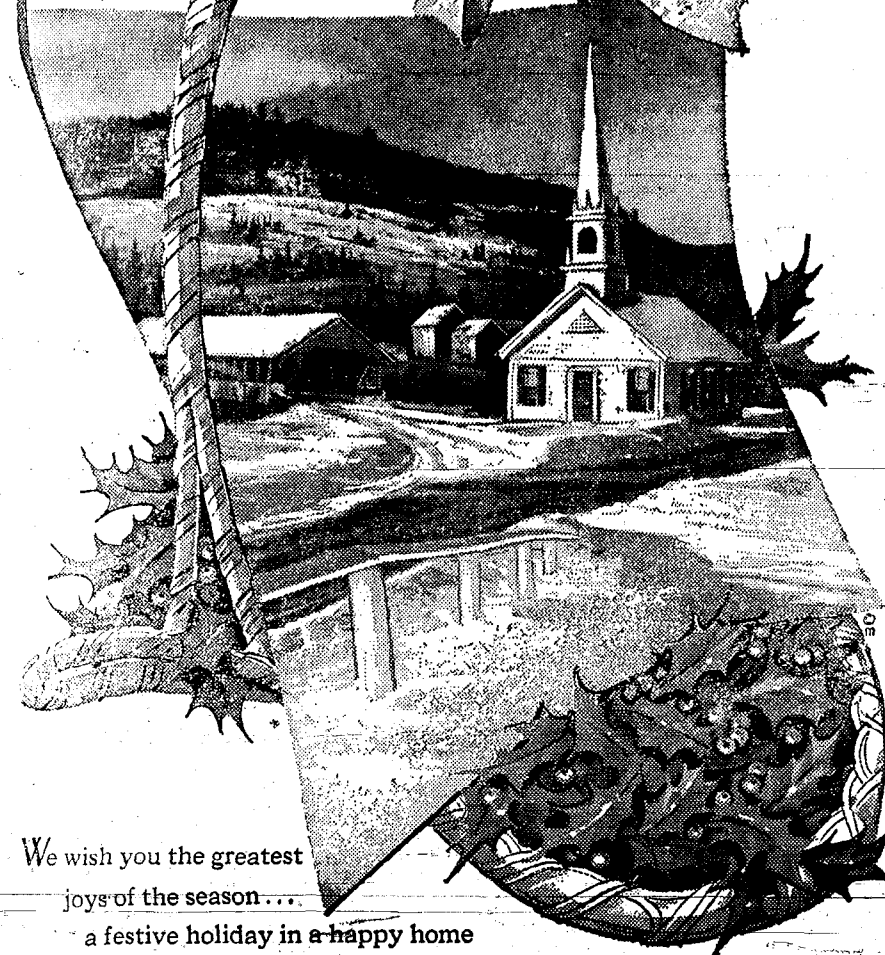
In the true spirit of the season, we wish you all the "old-fashioned" joys
of the holidays . . . the ever-new delights of good friends around you, good
times and good cheer, and the gladness of exchanging gifts and greetings.

And, in a spirit of sincere gratitude, we wish to extend our thanks
for your favors and friendly good will. Each day in our business life
makes us appreciate more deeply how much our pleasant association means.

McEvers Motor Sales

BUICK · RAMBLER · GMC TRUCKS — SALES & SERVICE

Greetings



We wish you the greatest joys of the season... a festive holiday in a happy home where family and friends gather to exchange gifts and greetings, to light the fire, trim the tree, bask in the warmth of real affection.

The Pink Lady

"Fashion Specialists"

NOT ALWAYS POPULAR

The practice of using Christmas trees as part of the Yuletide celebration was for many years looked upon as "pagan." This accounted for the slow acceptance of the custom after the Hessian soldiers in the American Revolution introduced the Christmas tree during the American Revolution. In fact, as late as 1851, a Cleveland minister created quite a controversy when he set up a tree in his church.



Greetings AND BEST WISHES FOR THE Christmas Season

JANSEN
PLUMBING
SERVICE



Table decorations are an essential during the holiday season. Let the basic rules guide you when doing your home arrangement.

Decorators say the arrangement should be kept as low as possible to allow across-the-table conversation without "dodging" heads back and forth.

There'll be plenty of food around during the holidays, so be sure the decorations don't take up too much room.

Care should be exercised to subordinate the receptacles used to the materials used as decorations.

Use plenty of color but don't allow one shade to dominate too much.

Luther Simulated Christmas Scene

Most everyone has heard the story of Martin Luther and the Christmas tree. Luther lived from 1483 to 1546 and, so the story goes, was one night so impressed by the sight of snow-covered evergreens sparkling in the moonlight that he returned to his home and tried to reproduce the memorable scene for his family.

He chose a small evergreen tree and, to simulate the reflections of the starlit heavens, he attached a number of lighted candles.

Christmas trees, of course, did not become popular until years later.

Stable Scene Was Idea Of St. Francis

It is said that the Christmas Crib goes back to the year 1223 when, in the small village of Greccio, Italy, St. Francis of Assisi attempted to bring alive the true meaning of Christmas by constructing a crude representation of the stable at Bethlehem, using live animals and real people.

At first confined only to churches, the custom later spread to palaces and homes. Today, Italian families take great pride in preparation of their Christmas Crib.

General Grant Tree Among Most Famous

One of the most most famous Christmas trees is the General Grant tree, located in General Grant National Park, 64 miles east of Fresno, California. This tree was designated the official national Christmas tree for Christmas Day, 1925.

The General Grant tree is estimated to be about 270 feet high and services are held under the tree each year. Due to severe weather conditions usually prevalent in the area, however, the number of visitors is somewhat limited.



A Bright and Merry Christmas

GLAD TIDINGS TO ALL AND SPECIAL WISHES FOR THE "HAPPIEST" HOLIDAY.

Grayling Radio & TV

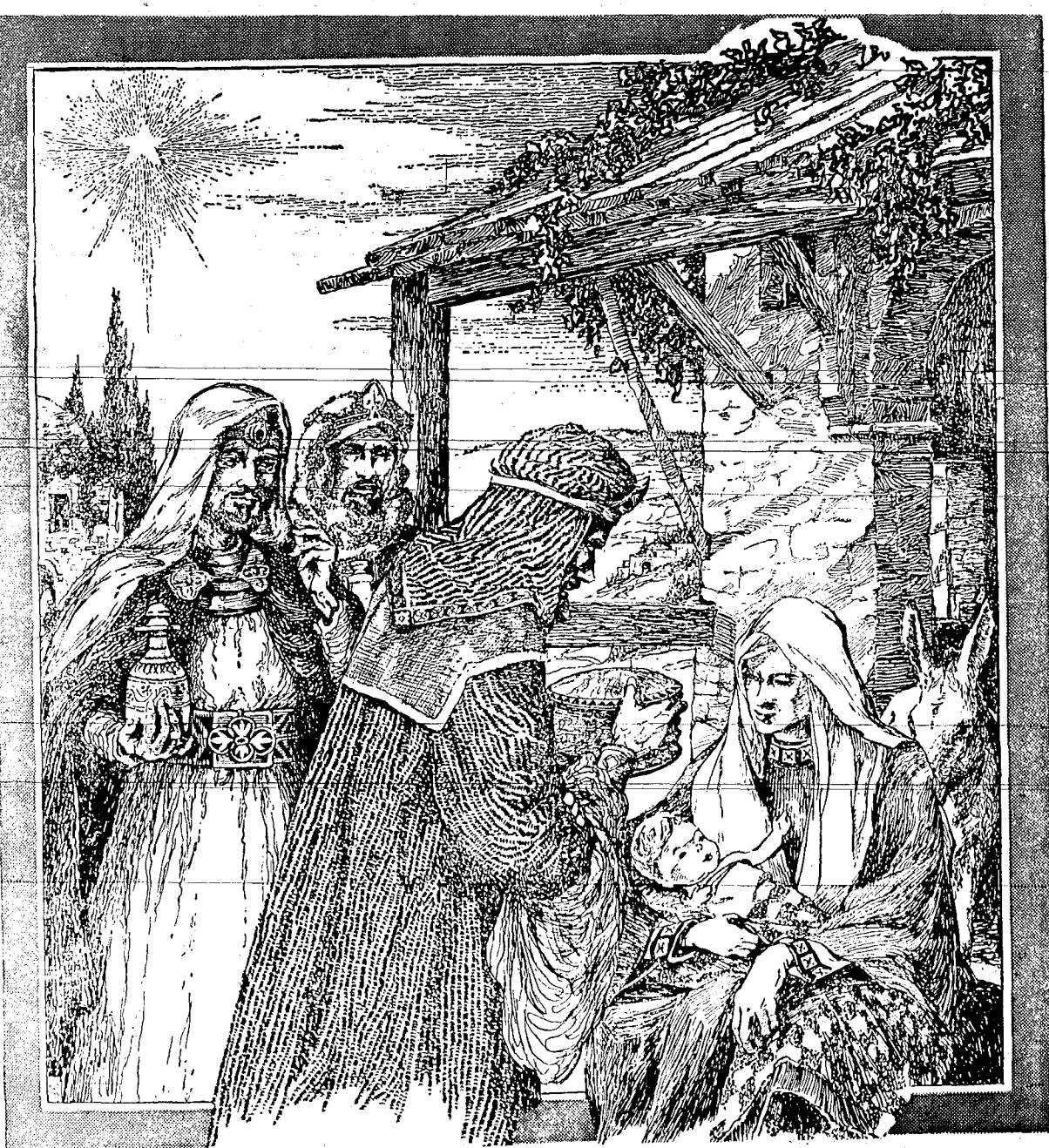
CHEERFUL Greetings

May the best of Christmas cheer fill the homes and hearts of our friends and patrons during the holiday season. It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve you all during the past year.



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A Christmas Message

Reverently, we remember a night of awe and wonder, when angels sang, shepherds watched and a shining Star guided Wise Men to the manger where a Child was born. We celebrate this holy holiday with thoughts for all our good friends everywhere, and with the hope that for you, the meaning of Christmas may be ever deeper, its joys ever greater.

POST OIL COMPANY, Inc.

DISTRIBUTOR OF GOOD GULF PRODUCTS, PYROFAX GAS & ...



May the inspiration of the first Christmas abide with you throughout this holiday season and for many years to come.

WELSH MOTOR SALES, Inc.

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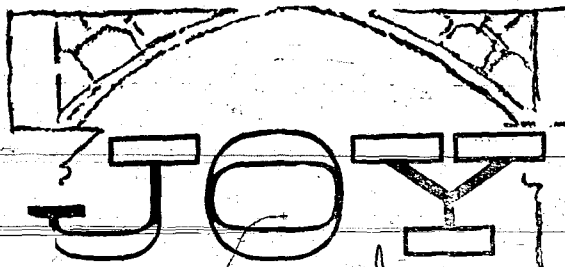
WELSH GULF SERVICE

"Your Good Gulf Dealer"



May you enjoy the season's splendor in the love of dear ones and the warmth of spiritual well-being.

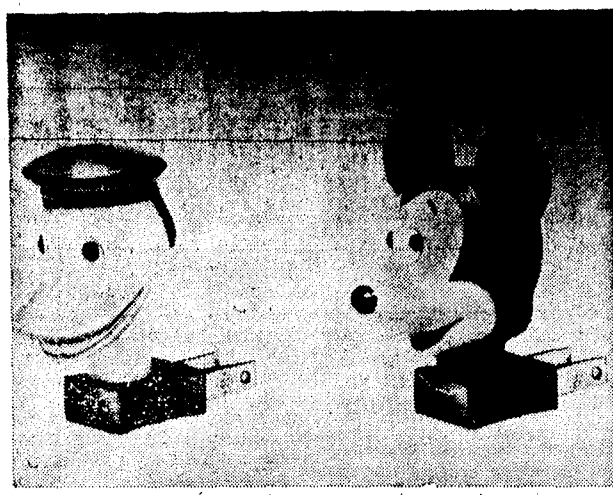
LOZON'S STORE
FREDERIC



at Christmas

We lift our voices to rejoice anew in the age-old wonder of Christmas. May your home be enriched by every joy and blessing of this happiest of holiday seasons.

SPIKE'S KEG O' NAILS
VERBERT HOLMES Proprietor



NITE LIGHTS . . . A small gift for a favorite youngster might be suggested in night lights which feature favorite cartoon characters. They plug right into wall outlet, provide just the right amount of light.

Our Calendar Should Last for a Long Time Yet

Every once in a while someone comes up with what they consider a better method of marking time, yet experts believe our present Gregorian calendar will not likely be replaced for a long time to come. Mathematicians estimate it will be accurate until at least 2500 A. D.

People have always been fussy about time. Daylight Saving Time annually causes a stir in some sections of the country and things can get confusing for the individual who lives near the edge of a time zone. Perhaps the first fairly accurate calendar was devised by the Ancient Egyptians. It consisted of 12 periods of 30 days each, with five days added to the last period just to keep things straight.

This method is somewhat similar to the Gregorian Calendar, except that the Gregorian provides that years divisible by four, excluding the years numbering the centuries, shall have 366 days, and the century-marking years are leap years only if divisible by four after the ciphers have been removed.

Leap years thusly make it unnecessary for us to "tack on" those extra five days and keeps us in tune with the solar year, which actually consists of 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds. As the experts say, we're in good shape until 2500 A. D. Who can say what method of counting time will evolve by then? Perhaps some will come up with a perfect method of marking time.

French Observance Features Manger Scene

Many French homes have not only the Christmas tree but as well the traditional Creche, or manger scene, populated with terra cotta figures called santons. Midnight Mass is a tradition with French Catholics and when they return home they take part in the Reveillon, an elaborate feast of many courses. Before retiring, French children place their shoes near the fireplace in anticipation of a visit from "Pere Noel."

Rose Oldest of Gridiron Bowls

It used to be that any armchair sports fan could name without any difficulty the bowl games to be traditionally contested on New Year's Day. In fact it was possible in previous years to watch part, if not all, of more than one of these great gridiron battles. Now they are numerous.

The "daddy" of all the bowl games, however, is the fabulous Rose Bowl, which started as a supplement to the Tournament of Roses in 1902. Michigan walloped Stanford 49-0 that year.

Chariot races were substituted for football the following year and not until 1915 when Washington State beat Brown University did collegiate grid action at its finest return to the Tournament of Roses.

Since that time the Rose Bowl has remained the number 1 New Year's Day sports attraction, and besides the thousands who watch from their living-rooms, annually attracts crowds in excess of 100,000.



Down River Pines — Al & Bert Wojahn



May the Spirit of Christmas abide with you and fill your heart with peace and happiness in all the days to come.

WEAVER'S GIFT SHOP

"LET'S HAVE AN OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR!"

"Tis the season to be jolly." But then there are minority opinions on everything. Plenty of folks are

complaining that Christmas isn't what it used to be. They say stacks of Christmas cards, frantic last-minute shopping, "Amahl and the Night Visitors" on the TV, and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" on the stereo don't make a Christmas.

"We've got to get back to the old-fashioned Christmas," they cry. But we'd better not go back too far. To put it bluntly, the Puritans were against Christmas. They labeled it a "wanton Bacchanalian feast" and spent their first Christmas on these shores pointedly rejecting joy and doing carpentry. On the second Christmas several "lusty young men" who were found "pitching ye barr, playing at stool-ball and such like sports" in the public streets caught what for from Governor Bradford, in person. So the oldest of old-fashioned American Christmases will hardly do for a precedent to be followed in 1965.

By 1827, however, Christmas had evolved to the point that an Episcopal bishop was complaining, "The devil has stolen from us . . . Christmas, the day of our spiritual redemption and converted it into a day of worldly festivity, shooting and swearing."

And by 1876 The Youth's Companion, a popular magazine of the time, was lamenting the passing of the old-fashioned English Christmas:

"We in America have received many, if not most, of our Christmas customs from our parent country, 'merrie England'; but in England Christmas is no longer the day of games and fine old traditional ceremonies it once was. It is rarely that the yule log is burned nowadays . . . and whereas the Christmas game, in the times of good Queen Bess, lasted for more than a month, a week is all the modern, money-making English can devote to it."

Could it be then that this perennial dissatisfaction with present customs and longing for "the old-fashioned Christmas" merely shows the power of this season to evoke nostalgic memories of happy childhood, bygone pleasures, and the joys of Christmases past—the exchange of greetings, the singing of carols, the tree, mistletoe, the festive meal, and the outdoor fun? One last dip into the yellowed, crumbling pages of The Youth's Companion gives an even better reason to wish for a simple celebration of Christmas.

"It is right for us to derive all the innocent pleasure possible from the happy season, not forgetting, the while, how solemn and glorious

THE POINSETTIA

Latin America's traditional Christmas decoration, the poinsettia, is also popular in the United States. The shrub, which has flaming red bracts, is named for Joel R. Poinsett, an American statesman and former ambassador to Mexico.

CHRISTMAS, FLA.

Christmas, Florida, postmark on thousands of holiday packages each year, is located 23 miles east of Orlando and was originally established as a fort to provide protection against hostile Indians — some 120 years ago. Today, thousands throughout the United States and Europe send packages to be mailed from Christmas, now a symbol of peace and good will.

Read the Avalanche



GREETINGS
May all our friends have a very merry Christmas!

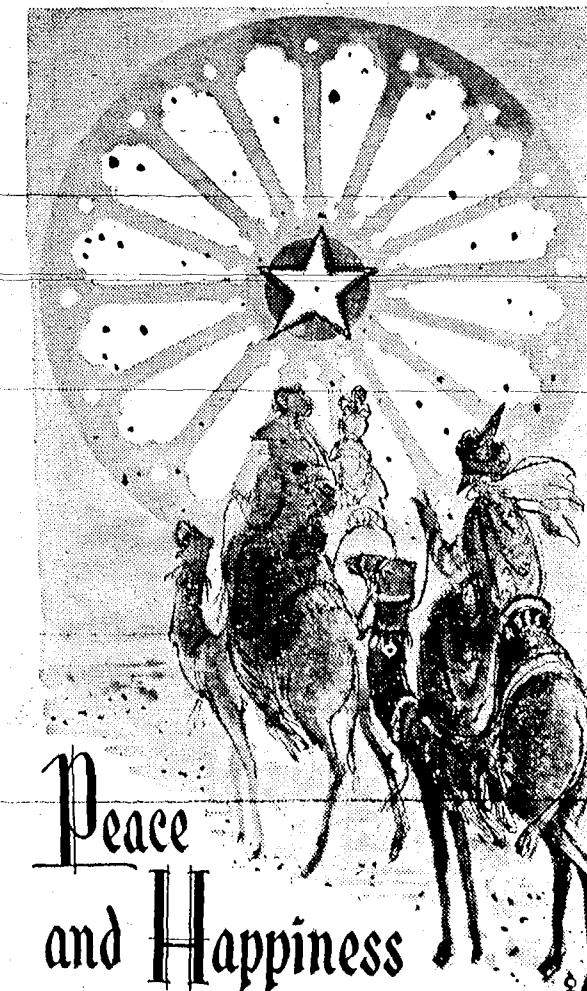
Hatt's Motel
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Hatt



Glad Tidings

This Christmas, we sincerely wish for you all the joys and blessings of the season.

WM. LENG
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FREDERIC



As the Star shone on the Babe of Bethlehem, so may the peace and promise of His wondrous message shine brightly on you and yours, this Christmastide, bringing happiness in abundance.

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Old-Fashioned Wishes

We take this opportunity to wish all our friends a wonderful Christmas holiday!

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Mrs. Lillian Houghton, Prop.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Festivity fills the air all about us . . . spirits soar and the mood is joyful as Christmas is greeted once more. Happily, we participate in the celebration to let each and every one of you know how wonderful a year you've made it possible for us to have . . . and how very much we appreciate your loyalty and friendship.

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